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Ten-town talent in Christmas Cantata

BY AMY CHAPMAN

Sounds of the season will fill the sanctuary of the Locke's Mills Union Church this Sunday at 4 p.m., as the church's regular choir members join with guest musicians from at least 10 towns to present "The Heart of Christmas," the church's 37th annual Christmas Cantata.

Beverly Melville, who has directed the Cantata since the first performance in 1978, has passed that responsibility on this year to Patricia Boyle-Wight of Newry, director of the Mahosuc Community Band.

Melville now sings soprano in the choir. Her husband, Richard, will narrate the program, along with Ted and Linda Davis of Bethel.

Lynn Ramsey of Hanover accompanies the choir on the piano. She is joined by instrumentalists Kelly Bickford on bassoon, Jim Chandler on percussion, trombonist Steve McCosh, and Kathy Ruby, who plays the oboe.

Choir members and instrumental musicians come from as nearby as Greenwood and Woodstock, and as far away as Waterford, Rumford, South Paris, and Berlin, N.H.

Trombonist McCosh makes the 45-minute drive from Berlin for each of the weekly rehearsals that lead up to the performance.

He is passionate about music, and said he doesn't mind the distance. One of six original members of the 27-year-old Berlin Jazz Band, McCosh also began traveling to Bethel to play with the Mahosuc Community Band, under the direction of Boyle-Wight, a few years ago.

"That's how I happened to get involved in the cantata," he said, adding that he hopes to see more collaboration among musicians in the Berlin and Bethel areas. "I'd love to get the two bands together for a performance someday."

"The Heart of Christmas," by composer Pepper Choplin, tells the well-known story of the birth of Christ from the Gospel of Luke, incorporating into the cantata a va-

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Debbie Brown, Charlotte Marshall, Tom Murphy, and Arnie Jordan rehearse for the Cantata.
A. Chapman

Mt. Abram flips switch on solar

BY AMY CHAPMAN

Last week Mt. Abram co-owner Matt Hancock and Talmadge Solar Engineering/Solar Market President Naoto Inoue each flipped a switch on the meter that connects the mountain's new solar project with Central Maine Power Company, and the ski area entered a new era of sustainable power generation.

Solar energy production from the 803 panels that cover nearly an acre near the main parking lot is expected to offset 70 percent of the electricity used to power the mountain's operations.

The electricity savings, coupled with available tax

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Couple mourns two dogs killed by one car

BY ALISON ALOISIO

"They killed our dogs," said Mitchell Maddocks of Woodstock.

Maddocks was at home on Route 26 Saturday night, Nov. 29, with his two dogs when someone came to the door. Kiki, a 3-year-old Great Dane/bulldog mix, sneaked by and got loose outside.

Maddocks said he immediately went out after her and brought Bone, a 10-year-old Labrador, in hopes that Kiki would come back to them more easily. After all, he said, Bone generally stayed close by when he was with him.

But this time Bone wandered off through the snow in the direction of Route 26 as Maddocks searched for Kiki on nearby Rocky Road.

It was then he heard a dog get struck by a vehicle. Running up to the state road, he found Bone in the breakdown lane, he said. Back up the road, Kiki had also been struck and killed. She was also outside the travel lane, he said.

Maddocks said when he got there motorists from New York had stopped, and they told him one vehicle had struck both dogs and kept going. Looking at tire tracks in the snow near the dogs, Maddocks said the driver had to have swerved toward them to hit them. After Kiki was hit, he said, the tracks showed the driver had continued along with one tire in the edge of the snowbank until Bone was struck. Then the tracks went back onto

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Blanco reading from memoir tonight at Gould

BY AMY CHAPMAN

2013 inaugural poet Richard Blanco will read from his new memoir, "The Prince of los Cocuyos," tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 at Gould Academy's Bingham Auditorium.

The reading is the last stop on a three-month book tour that has taken Blanco from Maine to California to Miami—the city where he grew up in a close-knit community of Cuban immigrants—with dozens of stops in between.

Finally back at home in Bethel, and able to relax for the first time since the book was released in September, Blanco talked about the difference between writing poetry and memoir, the importance of community to his work, and his plans for the future.

Poetry, he said, provides an emotional outline of his experiences, while writing memoir is a way to bring the characters and stories to life in greater detail.

"I wanted to write the memoir because even after writing so much poetry, there were still back stories, there were still characters I wanted to talk more about," Blanco said.

"I wanted to explore other dimensions of storytelling that the memoir can bring out. It's very hard, for instance, to write about Easy Cheese in a poem, as I do in this book."

(As a child seeking his place between the Cuban and American cultures, Blanco craved Oreos, TV dinners, and Easy Cheese as quintessentially American foods.)

He began writing the memoir about four years ago, and had written much of it before his selection as the inaugural poet resulted in his sudden celebrity.

"I started the memoir by just following my creative curiosities," he said. "I wanted to learn how to write prose."

"I'm very happy with the way poetry and memoir complement each other."

Becoming famous as America's fifth inaugural poet has changed a lot of things, but not Blanco's focus on the importance of community.

"I have a lot of fun with [the fame]," he said. "It happened at an age when I was mature enough to keep my perspective."

He said he loves meeting people and connecting with them through his writing. While the peace and solitude he finds at home are important to his writing process, he is also grateful for the opportunities he has had to go out into the world and share his work with so many people.

"A poem or a book is really only done when you connect it with people," Blanco said. "It makes a full circle, rather than just being behind closed doors. There's a time to sit and write, and a time for human connection."

Although not a natural extrovert, he views sharing his art as part of his professional duty, but also finds himself energized by the busy schedule of readings and workshops.

"I guess it's related to my craving for community, for connecting with people in an intimate, authentic way," he said.

It's that sense of community that he has found in Bethel, where he has lived for the past six years.

"It's a place where you go into the store and you know everyone, and you know all the local gossip."

Future plans

Blanco said he is planning

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Newry panel asks state for subsidy figures; talks to Gould

BY ALISON ALOISIO

The Newry Withdrawal Committee's educational consultant told that panel last week he has requested calculations from the state Department of Education showing the state subsidy SAD 44 would receive if Newry withdrew from the district.

"It will reveal the fact that without Newry, there is going to be potentially more state subsidy coming to the communities that are left," said Dr. Mark Eastman, because they are not as property-rich as Newry. The remaining towns, once Andover's withdrawal becomes effective next year, would be Bethel, Greenwood and Woodstock.

Since Newry has been dis-

cussing the possibility of withdrawal, other municipal officials in the district have expressed concern that the state subsidy would not make up for the loss of Newry's \$2.9 million contribution to the SAD 44 budget.

Eastman also provided the withdrawal committee the breakdown by grade of Newry's student population, as well as general information under which the town's secondary students might be admitted to Gould Academy.

Newry has a total of 33 students, nine of them attending either Gould or The Eddy School and the rest SAD 44. By grade, the numbers are: Kindergarten, 2 students; Grade 1, 3 students; Grade 2, 2; Grade 3, 1 student; Grade 4, 3 stu-

dents; Grade 5, 4 students (one at The Eddy); Grade 6, 1 student; Grade 7, 1 student; Grade 8, 4 students (one at The Eddy); Grade 9, 2 students; Grade 10, 2 students (both at Gould); Grade 11, 5 students (three at Gould); Grade 12, 3 students (two at Gould).

Eastman said he had talked with Gould officials about the potential for Newry students to attend. "All students must apply," said Eastman. "They really look for students who meet their goals to be well behaved and engaged in their academic work." Tuition is \$31,000 a year, he said, while the total cost for boarding students is \$54,000.

Towns that do not have

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Carter's Ski carries on legacy

BY CHRISTOPHER CROSBY SUN MEDIA WIRE

OXFORD—Four decades ago when the Carters moved into town to start their vegetable stand and David began snapping twigs in the pine forest behind the farmhouse to delineate cross-country ski trails, wife Anne couldn't have predicted how far or famed those paths would delve.

Or that she'd have to tread them without David.

A member of the Gould Academy cross-country ski team, Dave Carter grew up skiing and eventually went on to compete on the University of Maine's cross-country ski team, where he raced with distinction. He was inducted to the Maine Ski Hall of Fame in October.

Throughout a career dedicated to the trails, Carter worked for the Sunday River Ski Tour Center in Newry and was one of four Mainers who helped start the Jackson Ski Touring

center in Jackson, N.H.

He co-owned Carter's X-C Ski Center with wife, Anne, running stores in Oxford and Bethel for over 35 years. Together, they started the Oxford Hills Nordic Ski Club in 1981 with the community helping them build trails at their farm.

Carter was renowned for introducing the recreation to children and operated an after-school ski program.

The Bethel native, whose trails would spread throughout the 110 heavily forested acres in Oxford to reclaim ancestral land in his hometown, passed away last March from cancer. He was 65.

His legacy endures, a mantle carried on as son-in-law Jesse Hill and Anne look to carry on Dave's dream — and the two Carter's X-C Ski Center stores — to encourage the next generation of skiers, even when some in the community wondered if they'd reopen.

"It seems obvious we'd continue on and keep go-

ing, even without him ... being such a centerpiece. We keep going and doing what we love," Hill said.

An Arizona native, Hill was a snowboarder when he moved to Maine after meeting Anne and David's daughter, Sarah Carter, in the Virgin Islands about eight years ago.

Dave changed that.

"The first time we went out it was November and there was a small storm in the Grafton Notch. We drove up just to find snow and ski these logging trails. That's what Dave would do. He'd drive four hours just to find snow," he said.

"He told me skiing was his zen, and you just have to let go. Then he left me [alone] — for hours. I had a great day," he said laughing.

As outfitters and arena operators, the family has been busy clearing trails or cutting firewood since August. When the conditions are right Hill, Dave's

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Letters

WAIT FOR THE NEWRY PLAN

To the editor:

Recently there have been several letters written that suggest the withdrawal of Newry from the RSU 44 school system would be a detriment to the entire community.

As a Newry resident, parent of two preschool children, homeowner and Sunday River team member I could not disagree more!

I believe that continuing down the same path is a much greater detriment to our future, especially after the district received such poor grades, including an "F" from the DOE.

The residents of Newry (as well as those from Andover) recognize that the current system is failing our children and grandchildren, that's why we have already voted to begin the withdrawal process by creating the Withdrawal Committee.

"A healthy school system is crucial to the overall well-being of our community"

I believe the best way to move forward is to let the recently formed committee put a plan together that is in the best interest of ALL of the children and communities in the district. We should not come to any conclusions regarding the impact of Newry's withdrawal until we have had the chance to review its proposal, to do so is irresponsible and definitely NOT in the best interest of our communities.

This is not a monetary issue or a tax issue, this is an issue of education. We all want our children to have the necessary tools to succeed in life and a QUALITY education is the foundation for that.

I would also like to encourage the people of Bethel, Woodstock and Greenwood to take a closer look at their current educational situation and to join together with Newry to make the changes necessary to ensure our children have the opportunity to receive the best education possible.

Phil Ottone
Newry

HOW BEST TO SHARE THE PAIN?

To the Editor:

I can understand why some Newry taxpayers think it unfair that their town contributes \$2.8 million per year to support SAD 44 when Newry has only 24 kids enrolled in SAD44 schools. I can also understand why some individual taxpayers in Newry, Bethel, Greenwood and Woodstock think it unfair that they contribute anything at all to support SAD 44 when their households have zero kids enrolled in SAD 44 schools. But all of these taxpayers overlook the very reason that we have public education in the first place, namely that we all share an interest in educating all of the kids that we will soon be dealing with as adults. Soon we will share the roads, the voting booths and the workplace with today's kids - not just with the kids from our particular family or our particular town, but with all the kids in our district and all the kids in our state. We will need them all to be able to read, to write, to calculate, to reason and to cooperate.

Public education costs students nothing, but costs taxpayers a lot. How best to share the pain? Until recently, the state apportioned school taxes among taxpayers in most districts the same way towns apportion municipal taxes among their taxpayers - by assessment of real estate. In this district they still do. The reasoning goes like this: the guy with the big fancy house needs to pay more tax in order to feel the same pinch as the guy who can afford only the lesser house. If he feels the same pinch, perhaps he will feel the same urge to insist that this money is well spent. By that same reasoning, the state gives more money to some school districts than to others, in order to equalize the pain statewide.

Another thing to consider - were Newry to withdraw from SAD 44, the bulk of the tax savings would accrue not to the Newry voters but to the owners of second homes near Sunday River. That's where the bulk of Newry's taxable value lies. These folks might appreciate the favor, but not much. If school taxes on their second homes were a major concern to them, they might not have bought those second homes. The associated tax increases, on the other hand, will be felt entirely by the folks in Bethel, Greenwood and Woodstock; people that Newry voters deal with every day.

Scott Hynek
Bethel

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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To the Editor:

The Telstar Music Department invites you all to the 17th annual Winter Concert Tuesday, Dec. 16 at 7 p.m. in the Helen Berry Auditorium. Performances by the High School Concert Band and Chorus as well as the Middle School Band and Chorus. Admission is free, but donations are always welcome. Come ring in the holidays with our shining musicians!

Jennifer Bennett
THS Band and Chorus Director

THS FOOTBALL THANKS

To the Editor:

The Football Boosters would like to sincerely thank the community for their ongoing support for the Telstar Football Team. This was our ninth year since the reestablishment of football. We are so grateful to all the wonderful people who helped set up, take care of the down markers, assist with parking, tickets, announcers, National Anthem singers, snack shack and snack shack donations and clean up. Thanks for a great season! See you in the fall of 2015!

Telstar Football Boosters

The Bethel Journals

Ceylon and Herbert C. Rowe -
Well Known Bethel Shopkeepers



The Rowe Store in the Kimball Block, 1931.

Citizen Goddard Studio

By Donald G. Bennett

Ceylon and Herbert C. Rowe - Well Known Bethel Shopkeepers

Think of the Ceylon Rowe store as a Brown's Variety plus food and bikes. Lasting 62 years and two generations—the Ceylon Rowe store, later the C. Rowe and Son store succumbed to changes in Bethel's market place and shopping habits. In the mid 1880's a correspondent for county newspapers remarked on visiting Bethel the town must have more general stores for its size than any other town in the area. By the 1930's this situation had changed markedly.

Nearly a hundred years before Wal-Mart, Ceylon Rowe operated his one-town Wal-Mart in Bethel. His store's billboard listed dry goods, groceries, ready-made clothing, hats, caps, boots, shoes, rubbers, paints, oils, crockery, stone and glass ware, hops and country produce a list not unusual for general stores in the area. (To be honest, A.S. Bean's store in West Bethel carried a similar line of goods plus lumber.)

Ceylon Rowe could offer lower prices to his customers than found in other stores. On his buying trips to Boston and New York he always paid cash and that enabled him to offer first class clothing styles and materials in Bethel at lower prices than one found generally. He would make the trip and arrange for his purchases to be shipped back to Bethel by train. In 1896 when the Rowe's only child, Herbert C., joined his father in the business "Bertie" added sporting goods, bikes and equipment to the store's line of goods; he was also a member of and leader in the Bethel Bicycle Club.

Ceylon Rowe's granddaughter, Rosalind "Rollie" Rowe Chapman, saved many of the documents from the Ceylon Rowe store giving them to the Bethel Historical Society. These tell the story of mail ordering from outside Bethel Village.

One note from North Newry read: "Mr Rowe, Please send me ¼ yd of cloth like this sample. I do not remember how much it was or I would send the money today but if you will have the stage driver pay for it I will be ever so much obliged. Mrs. W. D. Kilgore, No. Newry, Me."

Other documents, letters and invoices, show up as Edward Hart, Popular Price Tailoring, 2 ½ Murray Street, New York; Ohio Rockingham and Yellow Ware Company, Columbiana Co., Ohio; and an invitation to be at the Ceylon Rowe and Son store to meet with Arthur Van Zandt of Michaels, Stern & Company to order clothes made to your measurements. Yet another one is the Internal Revenue Service License issued to Rowe, Grover & Co. to carry on retail dealerships for the year May 1 1865 to May 1 1867.

After graduating from Gould Academy, Ceylon Rowe (1838-1922) began his career as clerk in the store of Abner Davis in 1859. Two years later, 1861, he became a marketing agent for the Bethel Steam Mill Company. In 1864, Ceylon Rowe married Mary Grover of Bethel.

Now married, in 1866 Ceylon began a partnership named Rowe, Grover & Co. in the Kimball block of stores located on the road around the Common and generally in front of today's Bethel's fire station. Ceylon was the senior partner.

In 1870 Edwin Rowe (1848-1911), Ceylon's younger brother, came to work in the store and in 1873 the brothers formed a partnership. In 1878 they dissolved the



Ceylon Rowe.

BHS collection

partnership and Ceylon Rowe continued as sole proprietor in the Kimball Block. Edwin went on to build his own store a short distance away; today Edwin's store building is the Opera House condos. Then as already noted, Ceylon's son Herbert joined the business until his death in 1939 when his son Herbert R. Rowe assumed ownership of the business.

By then the market place had changed. In 1931 George Thompson wrote that about everyone has an automobile of some kind (and a radio).

Rollie Chapman explained that years ago the store could keep food and meat cool and fresh but many homes could not; they depended on daily shopping, walking a short distance to their local store for fresh food. By the end of the '30s Bethel's marketplace had changed. Most people in the village by then had some sort of refrigeration. (Milk was still delivered daily into '50s.) Residents found other places to shop with their automobiles. At the end of February, 1939, the Citizen carried a full page ad announcing C Rowe and Son "Going Out of Business" - all stock and store fixtures must go.

The store space in the former Kimball block eventually became Bethel's Community Room until the building was torn down in 1965.

Besides his business, Mr. Rowe was a long time Gould Academy trustee, a 61 year Master Mason and a member of the Bethel Village Corporation volunteers plus a corporator of the Bethel Water Company.

Ceylon Rowe was an acknowledged authority on Bethel's history. His grandmother was a daughter of Eleazer Twitcheell, Sudbury Canada plantation's first and only general manager, and through family connections he was related to many of the early settling families.

At one time, the Rowe brothers, Ceylon, Edwin and Almon (a retired Boston merchant), owned three of Bethel's most familiarly known town residences, besides that of Ceylon, Edwin owned the Broad Street home where Dick and Sally Taylor live (2014), and Almon owned the home known as the "Upson Home" also on Broad Street. In 2008 the Ceylon Rowe family home was being converted to four condos.

Sources are Bethel Historical Society collections, obituaries of Ceylon, Edwin and Herbert C. Rowe, very helpful information provided by Rosalind (Rollie) Rowe Chapman and Margery Rowe Swan. Margery was my classmate at BGS and Gould.

For more about the Rowes see <http://www.thebetheljournals.info/Bethel/CRowe&Son.htm>

Our Back Pages

BY DANNA BROWN
NICKERSON

10 years ago: Greenwood Town Manager Kim Sparks was honored by the Maine Legislature for her efforts and accomplishments in her previous position as assistant town manager of Bowdoinham.

The Andover Firemen's Association sponsored a Christmas Fair at the fire station.

Deaths: Betsy Rolfe Grover, Florence H. Watson, Ernest M. White, Sr., E. Shirley Bonney, Bernice G. Brown, Eunice E. Grover, Priscilla M. Currier, Chester V. Adams.

20 years ago: Andover Elementary School students raised \$351 for special school activities by selling sponsorships for lights on the Christmas tree on the town common.

Bethel Express Corp., offering condominium shuttle, local taxi, and charter service, and airport transportation, moved into the former Ripley & Fletcher station on Main Street.

Births: Amanda Lynn Thurston, RayAnne Jean Morin.

Deaths: Mary L. Beaulieu, Mary E. Corkum.

30 years ago: Mt. Abram took advantage of the 27 inches of snow that fell on its slopes, and opened for business on Dec. 12.

Telstar's music students were busy putting the finishing touches on their gala Christmas variety show, "Christmas Collage."

Deaths: Mrs. Lillian G. Lapham, Clyde A. Roberts.

40 years ago: Rehearsals were underway at Telstar Regional Jr. and Sr. High School for a presentation of "A Christmas Carol."

Miss Newcomb's fourth grade class at Crescent Park School toured the Dr. Moses Mason House.

Births: Dustin Howard Douglass, Victoria Ojeda.

Death: Emmett R. Buckley.

50 years ago: Gould Academy's Christmas Concert, "Amahl and the Night Visitors," was presented at the William Bingham Auditorium.

With a 15 inch snow cover on the ground, Sunday River Skiway planned to open on Saturday, Dec. 12.

Birth: Melinda Sue Mills.

60 years ago: Sparks from a welding torch touched off a fire which destroyed the sawing department of Swain's mill in East Andover.

Mrs. Gunther's seventh grade class at Crescent Park School visited the Oxford paper mill at Rumford.

Deaths: Mrs. Elizabeth L. Ramsdell, Mrs. Myrtle M. Brown.

70 years ago: Bethel's quota for the State War Chest was \$1,100.

Thermometers in Bethel and vicinity were registering from 12 to 16 below zero.

Death: True J. Brown.

80 years ago: "The Mothers Club" of the Methodist Church presented the play "Sound Your Horn" at Odeon Hall.

Guy Morgan's filling station was burglarized. Merchandise amounting to \$40 was taken.

Sixty-three deer were tagged in the town of Newry.

90 years ago: F.E. Russell was appointed Trial Justice by Gov. Baxter.

A snow fall of five inches with a high wind piling it into drifts made very bad traveling for two or three days.

It was announced at Donor's Day exercises at Gould Academy that William Bingham 2nd had conveyed to the Bethel Water Company three thousand acres comprising the Chapman Brook Valley.

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Newry

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their own schools typically pay a set amount to a nearby school system for student tuition. As part of the withdrawal plan the committee is crafting, Newry must by law arrange for a school system to guarantee acceptance of any of its students.

Attorney Dan Stockford, who is also advising Newry on the withdrawal process, said Gould would not be a candidate for guaranteed acceptance because the school has admissions standards. "They wouldn't be willing to accept any student that Newry sent," he said.

"I wouldn't say that," replied Eastman. "But the application process is required. I think they use that to become very familiar with the family," he said, in order to ensure a good match between student and school.

He also said he had learned Gould has a program for students with exceptional needs, which costs an additional \$3,000 per trimester.

But, he said he was told, if the community were to simply ask Gould to take all its students, "It doesn't work that way."

Eastman also said Newry could probably set up its own scholarship fund for students wishing to attend a private school.

He also mentioned briefly that he had contacted The Eddy School,

Elaborating on options for a school system to serve in the role of guaranteed acceptance, he said he expected SAD 44 would likely be willing to do that, but he had also contacted SAD 17 and was told that district has space for students at all levels, and RSU 10 would give serious consideration to accepting students.

In answer to questions from a previous meeting about how Newry compares from an education standpoint to the town of Carra-basset Valley, where Sugarloaf is located, Eastman said he had talked with the superintendent there. The town has 64 students and pays a total of about \$900,000 annually to educate them, Eastman said. Elementary students go to SAD 58, but the town contracts with two districts for services and has its own bus and driver. Some students also go to the private Carra-basset Valley Academy, he said.

The committee later went into executive session to discuss a draft of a withdrawal agreement with SAD 44. The two parties will negotiate an agreement for Newry residents to vote on at a future date.

The panel meets next Dec. 17 at 5 p.m. at the Town Office.

Agendas and minutes are available on the town website at www.newrymaine.org.



LOOKING AT OPTIONS-Dr. Mark Eastman, far right, listens as Attorney Dan Stockford, second from left, explains a point to the Newry Withdrawal Committee. Visible at the table are, from left, William Andrews, Jim Sysko and Brooks Morton. In left foreground is resident Gary Drown.

A. Aloisio

Dogs

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the road, he said. "It was such a long distance," he said.

Next to Kiki he found a piece of black plastic that belonged to a license plate holder, he said. Maddocks also speculated that the vehicle had to be a truck or an SUV to be able to continue along the road with one tire on the edge of the snowbank.

Maddocks and his wife, Brandy, are distraught over the loss of the dogs. "I couldn't believe it," he said.

They had had Bone for five years, acquiring him in a rescue-type situation, Maddocks said. Kiki was also given to them. He described them as great dogs. His Facebook page includes their photos.

A few months ago, the couple had to have another dog, Buddy, put to sleep at age 16. Shortly before that, Maddocks wrote on Facebook about what a good dog he had been. Now, the Maddocks are dogless.

Though losing Buddy was difficult, said Maddocks, they took comfort that he had lived a good,

long life. But Kiki, particularly, was "just getting started," he said.

He said if the dogs had been hit by accident, he would have understood. "They were at large," he said. "But we never expected people to brutally do that to our animals."

While the circumstances of the dogs' deaths cannot currently be proven, Maddocks' friends have started a reward fund for information that sheds light on what happened. The fund is up to \$500 (anyone with info may call 671-8467).

"There's been a huge outpouring - people calling, messages," he said.

Maddocks said people have already offered pup-

pies for them to adopt, but he said it's too soon to think about that. "We're heartbroken right now," he said. Besides, he said, he prefers to help adult dogs, and will probably do

that again. "I've always taken animals that didn't have any place to go," he said. "We just love dogs, and there are dogs in the shelters that need a home."



Kiki, left and Bone right.

Submitted photos

Cantata

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Behind the scenes, Owen Brown and Gail Scott of Bethel run the sound system.

A. Chapman

riety of musical styles, from traditional choral music to bluegrass and blues. Everyone is welcome to at-

tend the performance, and to enjoy refreshments afterward in the Sunday School room.

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credits, mean the \$940,000 installation should pay for itself within five years.

Mt. Abram received \$235,000 for the project from a 25 percent matching grant awarded by the USDA's Rural Energy for America (REAP) program, part of the department's Rural Development office.

REAP supplies financial assistance for the purchase and installation of renewable energy systems and energy efficiency improvements to farmers and other rural small businesses, and also provides energy audits and renewable energy development assistance.

Maine USDA Rural Development Director Virginia Manuel was on hand for the commissioning celebration. Manuel, who oversees the five Rural Development offices statewide, told the audience she grew up on her family's potato farm in Aroostook County and understands the unique challenges faced by businesses in rural areas.

To help level the playing field, Rural Development has invested over \$20 million in renewable energy projects throughout rural Maine.

Recent grants include an award of just under \$5,000 to Flying Goat Farm in Acton for the installation of solar panels designed to cut energy costs by half, and a nearly \$49,000 grant to fund a 102-panel solar array

and geothermal system for Cozy Acres Greenhouses in North Yarmouth.

"Mt. Abram is our first solar project at a ski area," Manuel said, noting that it is also the largest solar project in the state.

"Congratulations!" she told Mt. Abram's owners and staff. "We're thrilled to have partnered with you on this project."

Putting the focus on sustainability

Hancock said the solar project, which has been in the works for five years, helps to secure Mt. Abram's place as "Maine's sustainable mountain playground."

As a small, family-friendly mountain, Mt. Abram attracts skiers for whom sound environmental practices matter.

"It reinforces the match between why people ski and how this ski area is run," he said, noting that skiers place a high value on the natural environment that provides them with exercise, adventure, and freedom of movement and creative expression.

"We say that Mt. Abram is a ski area, not a ski resort," said Hancock, joking that "the main difference is that we have reasonably priced burgers and beers and our skiing is a lot better."

He praised the socially responsible vision and commitment of solar contractor Inoue, whose company's triangular logo reflects a fo-

cus on balancing nature, humanity, and technology.

"Naoto is an artist," Hancock said. "And he doesn't just talk about change; he makes it happen."

Inoue, whose three grandsons were present for the commissioning ceremony, said his company's work is dedicated to securing the quality of life of future generations.

"My grandchildren are the reason I do this," he said.

Representatives from both Senator Susan Collins' and Senator Angus King's offices attended the event.

State Office Representative Carlene Tremblay read a letter from Sen. Collins, commending Mt. Abram for its commitment to sustainability and renewable energy projects.

Regional Representative Ben Tucker, from Sen. King's Auburn office, said the senator believes that reducing our reliance on fossil fuels for energy will result not from a single solution, but from what King calls "the buckshot approach."

"This is about people in small towns and communities learning to work together for solutions," Tucker said.

A role model for green practices

The solar panel installation will have a huge impact on reducing the ski area's carbon footprint, but it is only one of several green initiatives already imple-

mented at Mt. Abram.

Work is nearly complete on a major upgrade to the snowmaking system that will result in lower energy usage while quadrupling the amount of snow produced.

Three years ago, the ski area installed a wood pellet boiler and now heats the base lodge with locally sourced wood pellets, a move that earned them a 2012 Golden Eagle Award for Environmental Excellence from the National Ski Area Association.

They became just the second ski area in North America to install charging stations for electric and hybrid vehicles, and their special "Car Load Fridays" pricing encourages skiers to car-pool to save fuel.

Even the used cooking oil from the cafeteria and lounge kitchen is picked up monthly by Maine Standard Biofuels and reprocessed at their Portland facility into biodiesel for vehicles and heating oil for homes.

Dylan Voorhees, clean energy director of the Natural Resources Council of Maine, said many people are not aware of how quickly things are changing in the area of renewable energy.

Recent developments have made solar and other renewable energy technologies much more practical and affordable, although he noted that Maine is still "a bit behind in legislative policy" that would help to promote renewable energy initiatives.

"The high visibility of this project at Mt. Abram will have a positive impact," he said. "It's great to see the ski area adding solar power to their other clean energy initiatives. They are a role model, and we're very happy for them."

Blanco

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a follow-up memoir that will pick up where *The Prince of los Cocuyos* leaves off, with the 17-year-old Rigui preparing for the world beyond his Cuban neighborhood and the family-owned bodega where he has worked throughout high school.

There will be another volume of poems eventually, to add to his three previously published collections, *City of a Hundred Fires* (1998), *Directions to the Beach of the Dead* (2005), and *Looking for the Gulf Motel* (2012).

In the fall of 2015 a picture book will be released, featuring the text of the inaugural poem, "One Today," with illustrations by children's book author/illustrator Dav Pilkey, creator of the *Captain Underpants* series.

In addition to books, Blanco is exploring the possibility of another medium for his work.

"I'd like to do a TV series based on the memoir," he said, adding that he has had initial conversations with people in the industry about the idea.

"I feel that television would be a great medium to change the conversation about immigrants, and about Latinos, and about exiles in America. The reality is that immigrants have been a grand part of America's story, are right now, and will continue to be."

Blanco's partner, Mark Neveu, recently started a new business in Waltham, Mass., which will necessitate having a home base there.

Although that means the couple will be spending more time away from their home in the Maine mountains, Blanco said, "This is still home to me, it's still where I like to write."

The house in Bethel will function as a place where



Richard Blanco.

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he can write, create, and recharge, and he envisions one day sharing it with others for the same purpose.

"I have a dream of someday turning this property into an arts and writing center with a residential component," he said.

He visualizes a retreat for writers and artists that would include space for literary events and workshops, a gallery and performance space, and more cottages like the current guesthouse on the property.

Visiting Writers Program at Gould

The event at Gould Academy is part of an ongoing collaboration between the poet and the school. The Richard Blanco Visiting Writers Program and Retreat was created to celebrate living writers and build appreciation for contemporary work.

In March, poet Spencer Reece spent two weeks in residence, working with Gould students and faculty through workshops and classroom visits, as well as presenting a public reading.

During the spring semester in 2015, the program will host Rachel McKibbens, a dynamic writer, speaker, and frequent poetry slam participant.

Tonight's reading is free and open to the public.



Mt. Abram co-owner Matt Hancock; USDA State Rural Development Director Virginia Manuel; Regional Representative Ben Tucker, from Sen. Angus King's office; and State Office Representative Carlene Tremblay, from Sen. Susan Collins' office at the commissioning of Mt. Abram's new 803-panel solar project.

A. Chapman



Mt. Abram co-owner Matt Hancock flips the switch to activate energy production from the ski area's new 803-panel solar project.

A. Chapman



The Way I See It

BY SHARON BOUCHARD

From the TWISI archives:

I was talking to my friend Jane the other day and she is in the process of moving from a house that she has occupied for many years.

In the process of hoeing out long-forgotten treasures Jane came across a couple of items of clothing that, once upon a time, actually fit quite nicely.

The discovery of the smaller size clothing cast her mind back to a bygone era when in her own words, she was "Hot!"

It was a pleasant memory for Jane and we talked about the merits or foolishness of saving clothing we will never again fit into. I confessed that I have a closet full of such relics myself and haven't been able to find it in my heart to pass them on to younger, thinner ladies. I don't hold onto the pretense that I will some day be able to wear the clothing again, I just don't get rid of it.

That conversation got me thinking, so I went to my closet of many sized outfits just to check them out. There is something very masochistic about doing this and though it provided me with a nice walk down memory lane, the return trip to reality was not all that enjoyable.

The first article of clothing I looked at was an adorable little dress, and I emphasize the word "little". Once upon a time in the land of size 8, I did wear this dress. In fact, it was one of my favorites.

I marveled about the small amount of material there was in this garment and a bit sickened at the thought that a dress I recently wore contained enough material to make at least two of these little things and enough cloth left over to make a matching shawl and handbag.

The idea of giving it to a thrift shop came to mind, but I couldn't imagine who would want it unless they were involved in a remake of *Happy Days*. I

decided that hanging on to it would be a good reminder of a time, when like Jane, I too was "Hot!"

I put that dress back in the closet and took everything else out determined to get rid of all this stuff once and for all. The navy blue wool pinstripe suit would never be outdated style-wise, so some size 10 woman somewhere could get some use out of it.

The red silk blouse I wore with the suit was there, too, and I recalled how gosh darn good I looked in that outfit. I always considered it my power suit even though I never had any kind of power with or without it. Perhaps, I was being

The discovery of the smaller size clothing cast her mind back to a bygone era when in her own words, she was "Hot!"

a bit hasty in getting rid of it considering the powerful memories that went with it. Back in the closet it went.

This little exercise in "How hot I used to be" went on for most of the evening and most of the clothing went right back into the closet.

The next day I was still thinking about my closet of many sized clothing and was starting to feel badly about the waste. I imagined many years from now (hopefully) when I have gone to a land where one size fits all, my children would be going through that closet and would be astonished at the number of sizes and eras of my life it represented. Then they would take everything out and get rid of it.

That was a sobering thought and I decided that if anyone was going to violate the memories of a smaller, hotter me,

I would be the one to do it. So back to the closet of many sizes I went.

This time I took a big box with me. This time I would not look back. I took out the little size 8 dress and was ready to place it in the box. Then I got the bright idea that putting it on one last time would be good for a laugh. Of course I knew it wouldn't even come close to fitting, I'm not that delusional, but I thought that would only make it easier to part with it.

So, I gave it a try. It went over the head quite easily and I delighted at how soft and smooth the material felt against my skin. Then I put my arms in the long sleeves and got stuck. I mean really stuck as in I couldn't put any more of it on and I couldn't get it off. My arms were forced out straight and the material gathered around my neck was choking me.

It seemed that I had no choice but to waddle to my husband and see if he could cut the darn thing off, but the very thought of him seeing me in this predicament was enough to send me thrashing about seeking other means of survival.

To make a long and embarrassing story short, I finally managed to extricate myself from the dress by ripping enough of the material to be free.

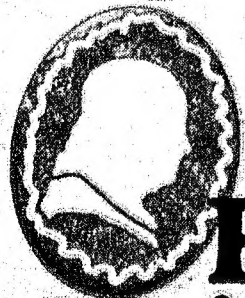
With my oxygen-deprived brain I went into a fit of rage and pulled everything, including the pinstripe suit and threw it into the box. Then I put the box in the closet.

The moral of this story is if you have a closet like mine full of clothing of many sizes you can't quite part with, leave it alone! Cherish the memories of the days when you, too, were "hot!"

The day will come when you are long gone and your children will be the ones to discard your past. And the way I see it, it's kind of a nice thought at how they will marvel that you once dwelled in the land of size 8.

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Briefly

Two seek Newry selectman job

NEWRY-Incumbent Selectman Brooks Morton and former selectman Jim Largess have taken out nomination papers for Morton's seat, which will be up for a vote in March. Papers are due back Jan. 16. Three years ago Morton ousted Largess in a close vote at the annual Town Meeting. This year's voting will take place at the polls on March 2.

Bethel

By Nancy Brown
Civil War historian



Thomas A. Desjardin spoke on "The Civil War Aftermath in Maine" at the annual Stanley Russell Howe Lecture at Gould Academy on Thursday, Dec. 4. The lecture kicked off the "Local & Legendary: Bethel, Maine, in the Civil War" project that will run through May. The project, which is being organized jointly by Gould Academy, the Bethel Library and the Bethel Historical Society, is made possible by a grant from the Maine Historical Society and Maine Humanities Council and is funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities. The next program is a com-

munity book discussion based on The Civil War Short Stories of Ambrose Bierce. There will be a series of four discussions on the book; the first will take place at the Bethel Library on Wednesday, Jan. 7, at 7 p.m. Copies of the book are available at the Bethel Library at 5 Broad Street. For more information, call the library at 824-2520.

Our last chance to view a meteor shower in 2014 is this weekend. The Geminiids will peak the night of Dec. 13-14. Some meteors will be visible starting around 9 p.m., but the shower will intensify later at night, especially after midnight. A large number of meteors may also be visible the night of Dec. 12-13. These meteors appear to radiate from the constellation Gemini, which gives them their name, but they are actually visible across



SANTA SUNDAY BENEFITS SUNDAY RIVER COMMUNITY FUND-The 15th annual Santa Sunday saw 250 skiing and snowboarding Santas take to the slopes of Sunday River Resort Sunday to raise \$2,832 for the Sunday River Community Fund, according to a press release. Participants are asked to donate \$15 to the SRCF, a donor-advised fund housed at the Maine Community Foundation. The SRCF assists local nonprofit organizations improve the quality of life in Sunday River's surrounding community. Once a potential Santa registered and made his/her donation, that Santa was required to wear a Santa suit, including the hat, beard, coat, belt, and pants. Participants received a free lift ticket for the day, as well as another lift ticket to use any time before Dec. 19.

Sunday River Resort

OCSD Patrol Log

Tuesday, Dec. 2

At 7:34 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney responded to the East Bethel Road with the Fire Department for a report of a chimney fire. He briefly checked the status of the occupants and assisted the department before clearing.

At 10:45 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney received a report of suspicious activity on Broad St. in Bethel. The property owner was contacted and the incident is under review.

At 3:11 p.m. a Bethel caller advised a subject was very drunk, and she wanted him to leave. He said he was too drunk to comprehend what she was telling him. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo was assigned.

At 6:52 p.m. a subject on the East Bethel Road in Bethel reported being sexually assaulted. Deputies Sullivan Rizzo and Nathan Bowie responded.

Wednesday, Dec. 3

At 12:51 a.m. Deputy Steve Witham and the Fire Department responded to Balsam Road in Bethel for a report of a structure fire. On arrival it was found there was no fire.

Friday, Dec. 5

At 9:54 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney responded to a Bethel business to assist Bethel Rescue and Bethel Fire with a carbon monoxide alarm. The building was evacuated and the source of the carbon monoxide was located. There were no reported injuries.

At 2:59 p.m. a subject from Albany reported \$100 was taken from her bank account in Bethel. This was done by a male subject living in Bethel. Sgt. Tim Holland was assigned.

At 3:33 p.m. Deputy Steve Witham was asked to contact a subject regarding an illegal dumping complaint on the Sparrowhawk Mountain Road in Bethel. Deputies attempted to investigate the complaint with no leads available.

At 7:10 p.m. deputies were requested to call a subject in reference to suspicious phone calls in Bethel. Deputy Steve Witham was assigned.

At 8:05 p.m. Deputies Steve Witham and Chris Davis were dispatched to the report of an assault on the East Bethel Road in Bethel. A male subject was taken into custody for domestic violence assault as well as obstructing the report of a crime.

Saturday, Dec. 6

At 12:38 a.m. Deputy Steve Witham responded to a residence on Paradise Road for the report of a subject yelling for help behind a residence. Investigation showed the subject had slipped and fallen. Rescue responded.

At 11:25 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney responded to a residence in Bethel for a report of an out of control juvenile. Upon arriving the juvenile was not out of control. The juvenile was counseled on scene. It was determined that no crime was committed.

At 5:41 p.m. while assisting a disabled vehicle on the Sunday River Road in Bethel a deputy confiscated a usable amount of marijuana.

Sunday, Dec. 7
At 2:41 p.m. a report was received of a two-vehicle accident on Route 5 in Albany in icy road conditions. There were no injuries.

the entire sky. Most meteors are the result of the Earth passing through the debris fields of comets. As the particles of comet dust hit the Earth's atmosphere they vaporize and appear as "shooting stars." The Geminiids are different. These meteors come from the asteroid 3200 Phaeton. As the asteroid passes through the Earth's upper atmosphere parts of it break off and burn up in the atmosphere, appearing as shooting stars.

Judith Green, a local author from Waterford, won the Grand Prize in the Rocky Coast Writing Contest sponsored by The Maine Review, for her short story, "Sneaker Wave." The story appears in the Fall 2014 issue, which can be previewed at www.themainereview.com. Green also has a short story in the anthology Best New England Crime Stories 2015: Rogue Wave published in November. This anthology of crime stories has been published annually since 2003. Stories published in the anthology have won the Agatha, Anthony, Macavity, Derriker, and Robert L. Fish awards for distinguished crime fiction. Green is the only author who has had stories selected for publication in every anthology in the series.

The Bethel United Methodist Church cancelled its tree lighting ceremony scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 6, because of the icy conditions. However, the names of people who donated lights for the memorial tree and the persons honored will be read at the church service on Sunday, Dec. 14 at 9 a.m. The church is located at 79

Main Street in Bethel. Refreshments will be served following the service.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brown-nancy1950@gmail.com, or call me at 824-2483.

East Bethel

By Wally Ritz



This week just flew by or at least that's how it felt to me. Funny part is that I can't even say that

I was extremely busy.

Neil Olson, his daughter Carrie Aube and oldest grandson Connor Aube were in Nashville Tenn. from Thursday Dec. 4 till Dec. 7. They visited Vanderbilt College for Connor. He's checking out not just the college, but the baseball program. He'll be a senior next year at Falmouth High School.

Now on to the answer to the Trivia: The novelty in East Bethel was Leslie Noyes' large elm tree. It had a circumference of 18.5 feet. It succumbed to Dutch Elm Disease in 1968. This must have been an amazing tree to see.

Alder River Grange had a successful turkey supper. There were 10 veterans who had a free supper. Thanks to James Haines who cooked the entire meal, to Dot Bartlett who helped set up the dining area and Lynn and Roger Zimmerman who were a big help in the cleanup.

Alder River Grange had a regular meeting on Nov. 7. The next meeting will be at Stan Howe's home on Broad Street on Dec. 12. Please bring nonperishable foods or give some money, which the Grange

will give to the Bethel Food Bank.

Please, call me at 507-1008 or e-mail heinhricracker@gmail.com with your news, suggestions, a Trivia question and/or questions.

Till next week.

Andover

By Jane C. Rich



Conversation around the Mills Market Coffee Table on Monday morning was, of

course, about who had the coldest temperature - 9 below zero was the winner.

Despite the snow on Saturday, Christmas in Snow Valley had a decent number of attendees, mostly people who didn't want to leave town. The East Andover Community Club Raffles were won by Susan Merrow and Sandra Clement. Meanwhile over at the First Congregational Church the winner of the sleigh was Joe Luce of East Andover and the winner of the Christmas Goose crafted by Gerry Michaud was Tracy Virgin. Food Pantry raffles will be drawn at a later date.

Scott Farrington has been working on getting the skating rink located behind the Fire Station ready for this coming weekend. Of course that depends on the weather staying cold enough long enough.

Even though deer hunting season is over, there is still a lot of talk about the biggest and best. Right now it would seem that Gary Peaslee can have bragging rights on his 238 pound buck which the biologist, from examining a tooth from the deer, puts at the age of 8 years. This deer may be named one of the top five or ten taken

this year. I'll try to keep you posted.

The Good Shepherd food delivery will arrive at the pantry on Dec. 15 at 8:30 a.m. As usual help is needed in the unloading and stacking. If you're willing to help, just show up. Christmas boxes will be distributed on Tuesday Dec. 16 from 9 to 10 a.m. The pantry will be closed the weeks of Christmas and New Year's, so clients should prepare for that event.

The will be a new food delivery on Jan. 5. The pantry wants to thank all the volunteers and the members of the community who have taken yellow stars to fill the wish of a child for Christmas. These gifts should be at the pantry on Dec. 16 or before, if possible, for distribution.

Selectman Judy Tabb and myself worked on resolving tax map questions on Friday and our work has been submitted to the tax mapping company and we hope new tax maps will be available shortly. At that point, as promised by the Selectmen, we will have an opportunity for the public to examine them and report any discrepancies. It is my hope that tax maps will be updated on an annual basis, just as assessing is done.

Sunday afternoon I journeyed to Upton for the annual Town Christmas party. I was brave enough to go up East B Hill, but came back the long way down Routes 26, 2 and 5 which weren't so great in some places. We were hoping for a bright, sunny and relatively warm day. Well, we got the bright and sunny, but not the warm, so we moved our service and carol sing to the Ladies Aide Building since there is no heat in the church. Thanks to all the people

OCSD Jail Log

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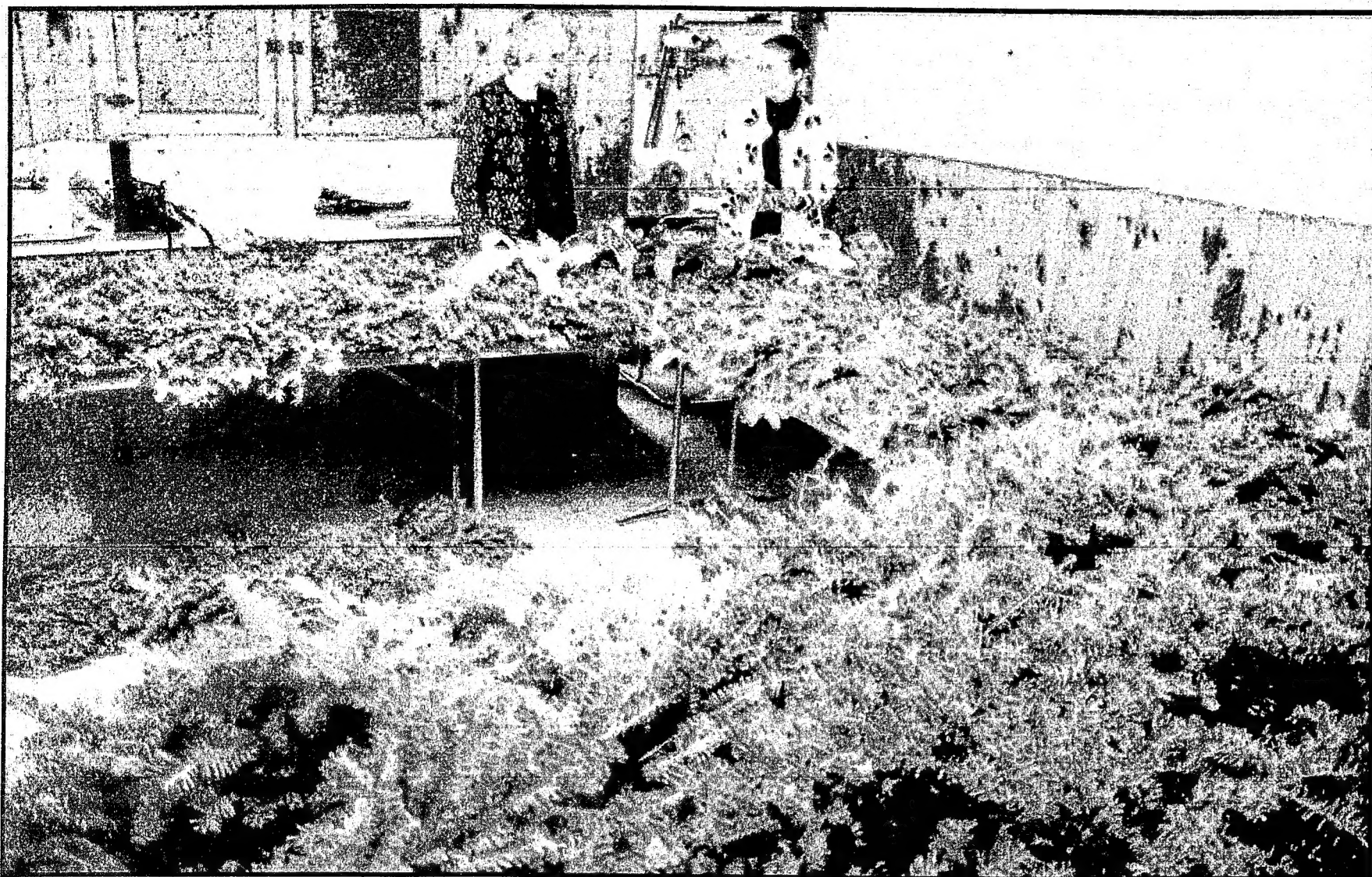
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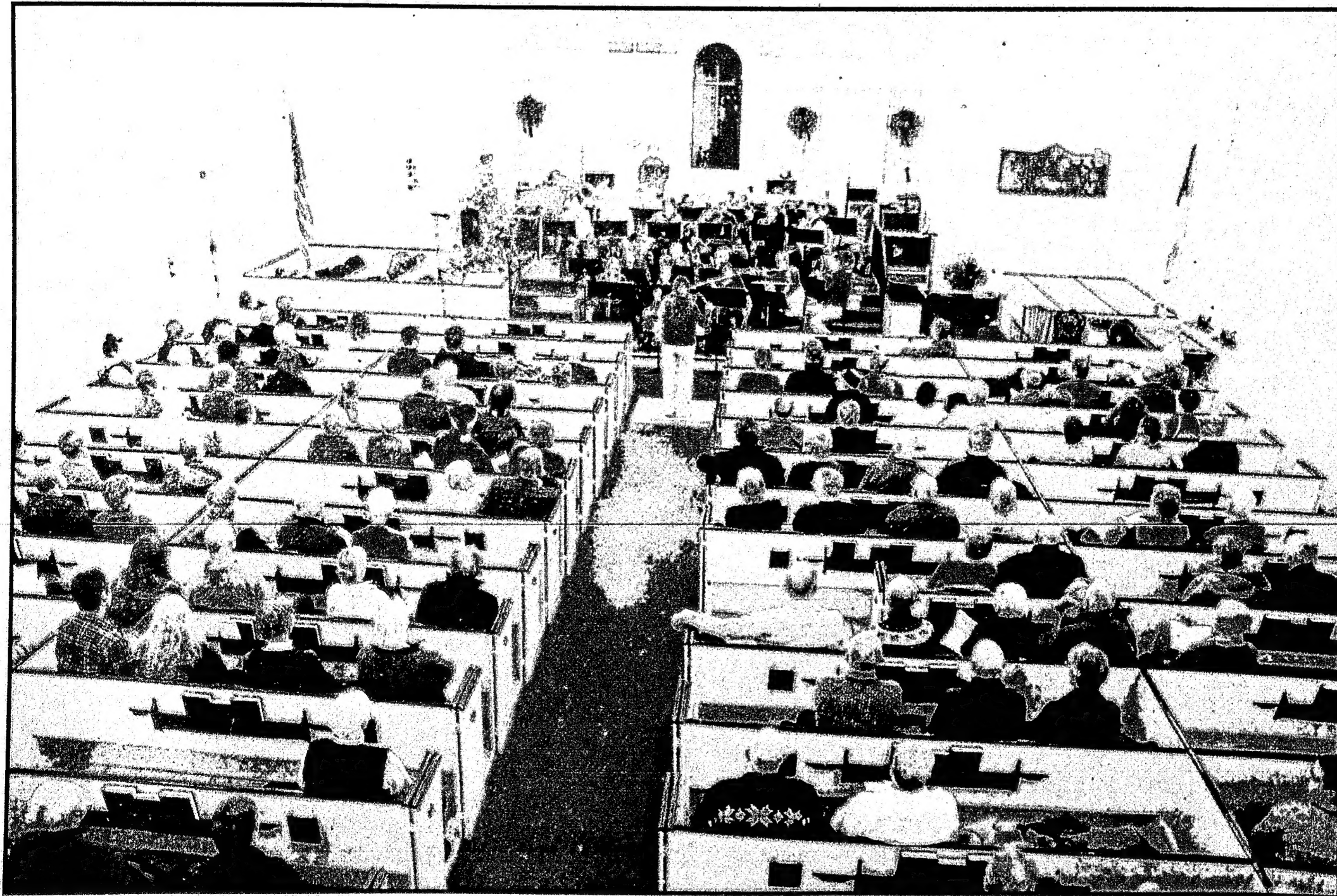
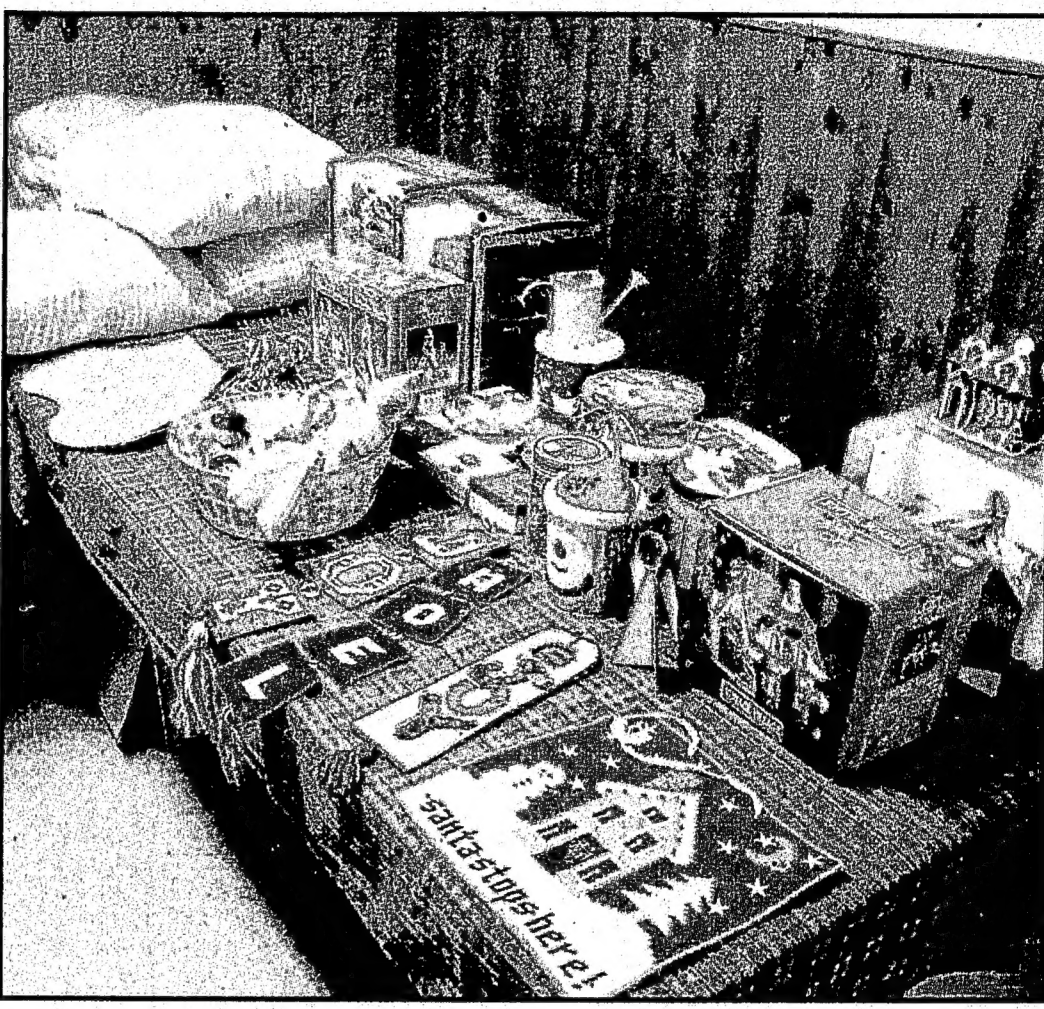
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Christmas around Bethel

Despite the challenges of the weather, the Christmas season got into full swing this past weekend in Bethel. The show went on Saturday at the West Bethel Union Church for the annual Greens Sale and Cookie Walk. Left, Arlene Lowell and Lydia Grover work on greens. Next two photos, Lowell and Neta Littlefield tend the Cookie Walk table; a collection of crafts offered for sale. Next pair of photos, the Crescent Park School Chorus entertained at Breakfast with Santa Saturday, with Keaton Spiller, Marianna Colby, Bailey Fraser, and Megan Cox; on Sunday the Mahoosuc Community Band performed its annual Christmas Concert at the West Parish Congregational Church. Bottom, the view from the balcony.



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involved in making this such an enjoyable afternoon. The food and fellowship were great and I'm grateful to all for including me in their celebration.

Gilead

By Lin Chapman



Steve McLain, has been busy plowing because of all this snow.

Last Saturday, Lise McLain attended The Nutcracker Ballet at Bingham Auditorium at Gould Academy.

Tanner McLean, grandson of Wayne and Linda Taylor was a VERY happy boy last Saturday. He got his very first deer, and with a muzzleloader at that! It was a buck that weighed 142.5 pounds. Congratulations, Tanner.

Tanner and Brandon McLean are participating in the Christmas program for AWANA at the Pleasant Valley Bible Church on Sunday Dec. 7 at 5:30 p.m. Morgan McLean volunteers by helping Cindy Fraher with the little ones. Bethany Corriveau's children, Jakob, Octavia, and Eliza are also part of the Christmas program.

My poinsettia started turning red about a month ago. It has been in an East window since I brought it in when it got too cold to stay outside. I find that it turns red and does well if I do not give it any special treatment. It just likes to be kept watered.

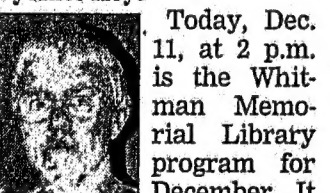
Gilead Historical Society The Fall newsletter for the GHS is finally done. It will be mailed out next week sometime.

Town Office Thanks to Matt Sweetser for keeping the Town Office shovelled out. Even though the office is only open on Tuesdays, I am over there at other times during the week and even on the weekend to pick up payroll cards or straighten out a printer that has decided not to work.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

Bryant Pond

By Alice Hoyt



Today, Dec. 11, at 2 p.m. is the Whitman Memorial Library program for December. It will be a Sing-Along with Jim Burke on the keyboard (back by popular demand) and some of the Oxford Hills Ukulele Group. Public is welcome to attend at no charge with light refreshments.

Franklin Grange 124 met on Monday evening, Dec. 1 for a regular meeting at the Grange Hall. Regular business was conducted and a program of Christmas

hymns and songs, readings and exchange of gifts and cards was held. Next meeting is on Saturday, Jan. 3 at 10 a.m. at Alice's with a potluck dinner.

The Woodstock Historical Society will meet at the Town Conference Room on Saturday, Dec. 13 at 5 p.m. with a potluck supper and meeting.

We had a very nice Thanksgiving Day. My sister Leatrice's family and ours went to her son's, Andrew and Rhonda Chase in Norway. There were around 40 people there. It was good to see everyone. Larry Billings invites you to Apt. A9 in the Bethel House for the Christmas season. It is well decorated and you can enjoy his antiques and discuss famous people he has known. He has met everyone from Reba McEntire to Tom Brady. He has also been all over Europe and can tell you about the sights he has seen, and culture is his favorite topic.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning Worship at 10:30, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service, Bloom for girls and Foundations for guys. Remember, the guys and girls are collecting bottles and cans and will do odd jobs (cleaning, decorating, gift wrapping, etc.) to earn money for Summer Camp in Florida from June 15 to June 19. Also, if you want to order Christmas cookies or Whoopie Pies, please let Marybeth or TJ Ray know. Dec. 14 at 6 p.m. is the Annual Christmas Program with the youth singing, having readings, etc. Snow date; Dec. 21. Wednesday, Dec. 24 is our Candlelight Service at 6 p.m. All are invited to attend.

Hanover

By Maria Holloway



Congratulations to Victoria Crockett-Harrington for getting her first deer ever! The spike horn was 111 pounds, field dressed. Victoria is the daughter of Hanover Town Clerk, Kelly Harrington. Both daughter and mom were beaming when they told me the news last week!

Hanover sends its sincerest condolences to the family of Bruce V. Schneider, who died on Tuesday, Dec. 2 in New York. He was 83 years old. Bruce was a long-time resident of both Hanover and Coram, N.Y. For many years he worked as an educator in the Massapequa, N.Y. School System having earned his Master's Degree in Education from SUNY New Paltz. Bruce is survived by his wife Viola and several children and grandchildren. Memorial donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association at www.diabetes.org. To view the photo gallery

containing many wonderful pictures of Bruce with family and friends, visit www.OBDavis.com, click on Bruce Schneider, and then click on "View Photo Gallery."

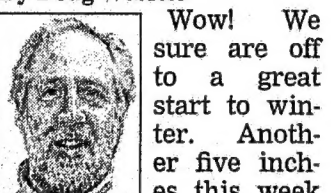
Condolences also are extended to the family of Mary "Mimi" Brown of Bethel, who died on Tuesday, Nov. 25 at the age of 87. Mary is survived by her husband of 48 years, Reginald Brown, and many children, grandchildren, and siblings, including her sister, Darlene Baker, former resident of Hanover. Mary was employed at the Bethel Inn Resort for over 30 years as the wedding and function coordinator and loved to quilt, knit, cook and go camping. Donations may be made in Mary's memory to the Oncology Department, Stephens Memorial Hospital, and 181 Main Street, Norway, Maine 04268.

There will be a temporary change in Town Office hours over the holidays as follows: The Town Office will be closed Dec. 24 and 25 and will re-open on Dec. 26 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. The Office will be open Dec. 31, New Year's Eve from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and again on Jan. 2, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Office will be closed Jan. 1, New Year's Day. Regular hours will resume after the first of the year: Monday, 5 to 7 p.m.; Tuesday 8 a.m. to 12 noon; Wednesday 2 to 5 p.m.; Thursday 5 to 7 p.m.; and Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The office will be closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

Got news, questions, comments? Please e-mail HanoverMENews@gmail.com.

Newry

By Doug Webster



Wow! We sure are off to a great start to winter. Another five inches this week with a Nor'easter due to be here and gone by the time you read this. I don't know about you, but I am tired of shoveling all of this global warming! After last year's temperatures and the start to this year, it makes sense that global temperatures have not risen for the last 18 years. We seem to be getting winters like we used to. This year should be a great start to the snowmobile season. The Windy Valley Snowmobile Club did a lot of summer maintenance to the trails this year. The Mt. Will trail that goes from the Bear River Valley over to the Sunday River Valley had some major work done up near the top. A section on the Sunday River side got a nice upgrade. It will allow a one-way up and down section that will make it eas-

ier and safer. There was also some work done on the trail from Newry Corner to the Branch Road, taking out some of the sharp turns and smoothing things up. It should make for some great riding. If you haven't joined a club yet, please join the Windy Valley Club. Look for a link on the Maine Snowmobile Association's website or stop in the Newry Town Office for an application.

Newry's Withdrawal Committee met last week. After citizen comments, educational consultant, Mark Eastman, gave a preview of his report to answer some questions and provide some information for the committee. Eastman gave the committee a narrative of some other towns that had withdrawn. It sounds like every town has its own story and its own reasons for withdrawing. It is not easy to make a direct comparison of the results from other towns to what would happen if Newry were to withdraw. Eastman also requested a subsidies report from the Department of Education. That report will give the committee an idea of what the state subsidies will be with Newry in the district or out. He also told the committee that if SAD 44 is not the guaranteed school of acceptance, he had talked to RSU 17 and they would be happy to take Newry kids. RSU 10 would seriously consider it. He also spoke of Gould Academy's willingness to take Newry students. Gould Academy is a private school, so the students would have to go through the application process and be accepted like all other Gould students.

The effect that Newry would encounter with regard to Region 9 was also addressed by Mr. Eastman. He went over a couple of different scenarios with the committee so they could understand how that process would be. All in all, it seems like there are many options for Newry should the withdrawal go through. For agendas and minutes go to www.newrymaine.org and click on the Withdrawal Committee link or visit the Newry Facebook page for regular updates (Town of Newry).

The Fire Department held its annual Christmas turkey dinner for all town employees this week. A good time was had by all. There were presents for the little ones; I mean the kids, not the firemen and women. And the adults donated \$10 each for the Christmas for Kids program.

NEWS FLASH! Brooks Morton and Jim Largess have taken out papers to run for the Selectman's

seat this March. Mr. Morton's term expires this year. It should be an exciting race. Maybe we should have some televised debate or something. Anyway, good luck to both men. There is always room for more candidates. Three or more in a race always seems to make it more interesting.

As always, please send me your news, especially if you do not like mine - dwebster@megalink.net.

Locke's Mills

By Betsy Foster



The privy at Greenwood Shores is closed for the winter. This is the rest area across from the recycling center on Route 26. Town Manager Kim Sparks said vandalism is the reason for the closure. Not only has a mess been made inside the privy, the door has been torn off three times.

The Greenwood Planning Board recently denied a request by Ken Cole to add a deck with handrails to his Twitchell Pond home because it was too close to the water. Cole plans to take his request to the Board of Appeals.

Linda Mason asked if the Town could plow to the end of Eddie's Road. Greenwood Selectmen explained that the road she was talking about was private land, and the Town would not plow.

The various statuses of our area "junkyards" was discussed with the Selectmen. The Henley property is awaiting mediation. Louise McLean is working on a solution for her site with Joelle Corey-Whitman, our Code Enforcement Officer. The Grovers have filed an appeal regarding their property on Rowe Hill Road, and we are awaiting a date for the hearing.

Time to license the dog. It is \$6 for neutered/spayed and \$11 for fully-equipped. Payment is due by Jan. 1. Kudos to our road crew for plowing and sanding night and day during the mess last weekend. It is always reassuring to hear the sound of the plow as it slowly moves by during the night.

Helen Matthews died last Sunday morning after a long illness. She was the mother and mother-in-law of Mary and Donald Isham who have lived in the Bethel area since the 1970s. She was also the grandmother of Susan Isham; the great-grandmother of Tamara Isham, and the great-great-grandmother of Payton Isham. What a lineage. All the Isham "girls" live in the Bethel area, and Helen lived the last years of her life with Mary and Donald.

Tonight, Dec. 11, is the free public reading by

Richard Blanco. Our inaugural poet will be reading from his most recent work, "The Prince of los Cocuyos," which is about growing up in Cuban Miami. The reading is 7:30 p.m. at the Gould Academy Bingham Auditorium.

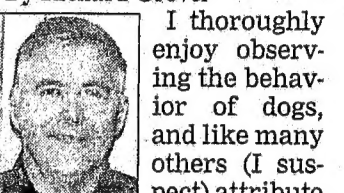
In the past week we have had snow, sleet, freezing rain, and 10-below-zero temperatures. And to think winter, in theory, is still 10 days away. At least the amount of daylight will start to lengthen beginning on the winter solstice, Dec. 21. Right now, we get less than nine hours of light each day.

Given that, here's the assortment of holidays through Dec. 13: Dec. 8, Feast of Immaculate Conception (Catholic); Dec. 12, Arbaceen (Shia Muslim); Dec. 12, Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Catholic). Have a feast. Hang in there while we move through the dark. Be kind. Be caring.

And with kindness comes the notion of helping others. Our area food pantry helps over 90 families avoid hunger. Please consider making a donation this holiday season. You can mail a check to: Bethel Area District Exchange & Food Pantry, PO Box 232, Bethel, Maine 04217. Or, you can deposit your donation at the Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel. Please send news to 3taichi6@gmail.com.

Mason

By Richard Grover



I thoroughly enjoy observing the behavior of dogs, and like many others (I suspect) attribute some of their activities to human-like emotions. Shiloh, like many other dogs, seems to be unusually attentive to me, his current mentor, but a few days ago I was amused by his actions. As I asked him to go for a walk, he scurried around to find one of his possessions to take with him. This time, he appeared with his deer leg, dug out of the snow someplace, consisting of the hoof and 10 or 13 inches of the bone above the hoof. (The rest had been chewed into lethal-looking splinters!) Shiloh trotted proudly along with me, with his deer foot in his mouth. Usually, when he starts out like that with a ball or other toy, he soon tires of it and drops it along the way or in the bushes. Not this time. He proudly took that deer hoof for a walk for the entire 15 minutes that we walked down the path to the brook and back on another path, making a loop by the time we got home, the bone still proudly in his mouth. I can't imagine what he was thinking when he arrived back home and again bur-

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ied the hoof someplace in the snow. I am confident that the hoof will appear again tomorrow when we go out "for a walk."

Mona and I have been receiving our e-mails through the phone lines using the DSL practice, or whatever it is. I don't understand how we can receive both voice and digital signals over a single phone line at the same time without interference, but we do! I have been curious about the Dish Network fliers that advertise receiving your e-mails from a satellite and how the price compares to DSL. I am now about to find out. Last Monday a Dish Network satellite technician came to our house, installed another Dish satellite dish on the front of our barn, pointing in a more westerly direction than the dish that brings our TV signals, installed a new modem, and we now get our e-mail and internet service via satellite rather than phone lines.

We even get to keep our old e-mail address that we have been using with Oxford Networks DSL sys-

tem. I don't understand how that works, either, but it seems to. I plan to report at a later date how well I like the new system.

In late news, it appears that the old USPS motto, "Neither rain, nor sleet nor gloom of night can..." has fallen by the wayside. A mere four inches of fresh snow kept Kings Highway residents from receiving mail last Saturday, and some light drizzle and late snow (arriving mostly after noon) has apparently kept our intrepid postal workers from their appointed rounds.

South Woodstock
By Lolalee Dillingham
Dec. 5, 10:58 a.m.

A very cold bitter day, it was only zero here this morning at 6:30 a.m., it is 6 degrees here now and the sun is so nice shining through the windows, and it is warming the rooms up nicely.

Condolences are going out to the children and grandchildren of Mark Ward, Violet Fox, Ron-

nie Dillingham, Peter Kuvaja, Ralph Neimi, Evelyn Caiwell, Elizabeth Hackett and Roenell Cummings, Jr. Our thoughts and prayers to each family member.

Birthdays wishes are going out to Kathy Blaquiére, Cheryl Simonds, Sue Angevine, Jeanette Coolidge, Denni Dillingham, Tina Scribner, David McAlister, Bill Grover, Leo Hatch, Alan Bean, Shane Wilson, Doug Marchant, Cleo Ryerson, Jim Mason, Jr., Rachel Grover, Laurie Wilson, Alex Poland, Christopher Wilday, Marilyn Hanscom, Phil Merrill, Lyndon Mason, Christie Hodson, Donna Danforth, Roni Grover, Jr., Del Parker and Jayme Mack.

Celebrating anniversaries are Kevin and Natasha Hodson and Randy and Tia Gladden.

Many are down with the ole flu bug and other illnesses, so we are praying for their speedy recovery.

It was good getting back to entertaining the residents at Ledgeview yesterday, and we thank them for having us, we so enjoy each one and love seeing

them.

I'm busy finishing up my homemade Christmas gifts, then to get them bagged/wrapped and ready to go.

Well dear readers, that's all from the valley this week. Enjoy your weekend.

Upton
By Joe Bernier

The Annual Community Christmas Party was fun. Eighteen people braved the cold to be there. The food was great and the kids that attended all seemed to enjoy their presents. As always, bingo was entertaining. I may hold the record for the most games played without a win. (Rigged?) The Ladies plan to begin serving Sunday breakfasts on Jan. 11, at 8 a.m.

Penny and I had a good laugh at my expense Saturday. When I finished putting the rear chains on the skidder, I decided to run it down the driveway, 600 feet or so, and back to see how much they loosened. While I was at the mailbox, I figured I may as well pick up the mail. As I passed the mail to Penny she said "you call tell you live in Upton when you have to take the skidder to get the mail." We enjoyed the good chuckle.

Hope you are feeling better, Harvey, and are all hunkered down for the nasty weather that is predicted for this week.

Please call 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoe@gmail.com with your news.

Waterford
By Rockie Graham

The full moon has been bright and lightens up the whole night sky. It's been almost too light out to sleep at night. With the full moon has come the cold. This morning (Monday) it was 10 below when we looked at first light. Brr! Soon the hooligans will be upon us for real and then winter will officially start in two weeks. We will be ready for it by then.

Doctor cleared me to go back to work in a couple of weeks. Guess I have to do a lot of walking between now and then. It is hard here because of the ice, but I have to get those stabilizers on my shoes. I can do that. My ski poles keep disappearing but eventually they will return.

Thursday, Dec. 11, there will be a book signing and reading by Richard Blanco at Bingham Hall at Gould Academy. It will be at 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 15, the Knitting Group will meet

at Waterford Library. They meet from 2 to 4 p.m. All levels of knitters, from beginners to experts, are welcome. FMI: Please call 583-2050.

Thursday, Dec. 18, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. there will be a knitting and crocheting class at SMH Cancer Center, 199 Main Street, Norway. Cancer patients, survivors and caregivers are all invited to join it. This class is free. Bring your ongoing projects.

It is that time of year when it gets dark early and I am more dependent for rides. It seems unfair, I finally can drive again, and there is only a limited amount of daylight time for me to drive. It means I am dependent again. I hate that, but it is most of the year around here. Soon I will be staying close to home again, most days. Feel free to come and visit. Stop by for a cup of coffee or tea. If you are lucky you can even see the pig. It is also why I miss most evening events. I hate asking too often for rides. People are nice, but there is no one who lives around here that goes where I want to go. Maybe I should move into town.

That is all for this week. Stay warm if you can and watch that black ice. If anyone has anything they would like to send me to print in this column, call me at 743-0593.

Carter's

Continued from page 1

understudy for years, will hop onto an ATV or snowmobile and begin grooming trails.

It's a labor of love, and it's a family affair: the purveyor's 10 seasonal employees are either all family or close friends. The hundreds of acres which the trails crisscross are in Dave and Anne's name or sons- or brothers-in-law. The Carters have three grown daughters.

"The kids were always involved, working during vacations or when they weren't racing," Anne said.

Homage to his legacy isn't a strict adherence to all of

its tenants: regulars can expect the service, the expertise, the after-school programs for children and the equipment, while for the first time they're opening up some of the trails to "fat tire" snow biking, expanding their off-trail skiing options and offering free season passes for customers who buy an equipment package.

"There are new twists on the things we've always been doing," Hill said.

After the shop was secure, order made, instructions levied, coverage coordinated and the vast plethora of unseen but important lo-

gistical minutiae to fulfill, Dave would sometimes slip off on "ski patrol" for the day.

It's one duty which hasn't been assigned.

"Someday when we have enough time, Anne and I will be," Hill said.

CORRECTION: An organizational news item submitted by Carter's that appeared in last week's Citizen should have said that beginners receive free rentals as part of National Trails Day Jan. 10 after 1 p.m. Also, cancer patients and caregivers will have a day YTB in March with promos and deals.



Anne Carter and her son-in-law, Jesse Hill.

C. Crosby

Woodstock Historical Society to meet

The Woodstock Historical Society will meet on Dec. 13 at the town office complex (weather permitting). There will be a pot luck supper at 5 p.m. Please bring a dish to share. Members are welcome to bring Christmas cards to exchange. Donations are still being accepted for the Christmas Angel project in lieu of bringing a gift. The business meeting will begin at 6 p.m. There will be no program in December.

Carter's event to benefit Ski Museum

The 30th annual Carter's Last Stand Nordic Day is set for Thursday, Jan. 1 at Carter's X-C Ski Center in Bethel. This year the event will benefit the Ski Museum of Maine and honor the legacy of David Carter, a recent inductee in the Maine Ski Hall of Fame. The full schedule of events includes the choice of an interpretive snowshoe tour with a forest biologist, uphill Nordic ski climb to the top of Farwell Mountain, guided cross-country ski tour along the Androscoggin River or a kids' x-country ski and snowshoe activity.

A hearty lunch of chili, chowder and soup will be served followed by the Ski Museum of Maine's Fireside Chat, "Maine's Nordic Skiing Heritage –

1870 to the Present." The day will be capped off by the drawing for the Great Ski and Sport Shop Raffle with over \$1,000 worth of prizes. Admission fee for the Nordic Ski Day is \$25 for adults, \$15 for juniors 6-18 and free for ages 5 and under. The price includes a trail pass, lunch, choice of activities and fireside chat. Reservations are encouraged and can be made in advance by phoning (207) 539-4848.

Sadly, Dave Carter passed away earlier this year. However, his wife, Anne, will be honoring his memory and his contributions to the sport of Nordic skiing by continuing to hold the race he established in 1985. Says Anne Carter, "Our family is happy to honor the

memory of my husband Dave by hosting the annual Carter's Last Stand New Year's Day event. Dave had an extensive collection of old wooden to modern day Nordic equipment. We hope that the Ski Museum will be able to preserve and display his collection at its satellite museum planned to open in Bethel in 2015."

Founded in 1995, the Ski Museum of Maine is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization established with the mission to celebrate and preserve the history and heritage of Maine skiing. The Ski Museum exhibits artifacts, photographs, artworks, and documents at its location in Kingfield, conducts educational programs to ski clubs, schools, libraries, historical and civic organizations, and hosts social events and activities throughout the year. Information on the Ski Museum of Maine is available online at www.ski-museumofmaine.org.

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Brian Nolan, MD, FACP
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Jennifer Sunday, DO
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School Lunch

SAD 44 School Lunches Dec. 11 to Dec. 19

Elementary Schools

Thursday: Roast pork and gravy, mashed potato, maple glazed carrots, cranberry sauce, dinner roll, ice cream cup.

Friday: Macaroni and cheese with ham slices or Sun Butter and Fluff on wholegrain bread with yogurt, peas, apple.

Monday: French toast sticks with syrup and sausage patty or Sun Butter and jelly on wholegrain bread with cheese stick, Fruitable juice, applesauce.

Tuesday: Popcorn chicken or Sun Butter and jelly on wholegrain bread with cheese stick, sweet potato fries, green beans, mixed fruit.

Wednesday: Cheeseburger on a wholegrain bun or Sun Butter and Fluff and cheese stick, veggie choice, dried fruit and cereal mix.

Thursday: Hot chicken sandwich on a biscuit or Sun Butter and jelly on wholegrain bread with yogurt, four bean salad, cranberry sauce, pineapple chunks.

Friday: Maxx Sticks with dipping sauce or Sun Butter and Fluff with cheese stick, steamed broccoli, fruit choice.

Telstar

Thursday: Roast pork and gravy, mashed potato, maple glazed carrots, cranberry sauce, dinner roll, ice cream cup.

Friday: Macaroni and cheese with ham slices, peas, apple.

Monday: French toast sticks with syrup, sausage patty, potato puffs, applesauce.

Tuesday: Oven Roasted chicken, sweet potato fries, green beans, mixed fruit.

Wednesday: Cheeseburger on a wholegrain bun, oven roasted potatoes, veggie choice, dried fruit and cereal mix.

Thursday: Hot chicken sandwich on a biscuit, bean salad, cranberry sauce, pineapple chunks.

Friday: Maxx Sticks with dipping sauce, steamed broccoli, fruit choice.

Telstar Freshmen Academy



Brett Hasting, Jarrett Bean, and Russell Cushman test the water quality of Lake Christopher during a two-day program at the 4-H Learning Center.

Telstar High School has been experiencing many changes this 2014-2015 school year! THS has two new administrators and a new freshmen program just to name a couple. The new administrators, Ann Bell and Cheryl Lang, are excited to be rolling out this new freshmen program in January, 2015! This program, rightfully named Telstar Freshmen Academy, boasts experiential learning, which allows students to experience hands-on learning with resources available in and around the community. Bryant Pond offers the knowledge, staff experience and resources to help us transition to this way of elevating learning experiences. We have explored many options to initially roll this program out and feel the one that has ultimately been selected is the best one for our students.

Starting mid-January our freshmen students will be bussed to Bryant Pond from THS on Monday through Thursday for complete immersion in Experiential Learning that will not only include working directly with resources available in our community but also bringing that learning back to on-site classrooms to continue to research, analyze, and synthesize. Students will return to THS daily for lunch and their last class of the day and will remain on THS campus all day on Fridays, which will help maintain a solid connection to their high school and upperclassmen. We have been working with other schools that have had success with this type of learning and are finalizing our plans to bring a program director on board to help bridge the THS staff and Bryant Pond staff together in creating learning experiences that will be meaningful to the students and community.

We are also working with an alumni student who is affiliated with the company, "Makey Makey," in using their product, the Makey Makey kits to help our students think of themselves as "Makers and agents of change. When you have the 'Maker's Mindset,' you know you can change the world." (makeymakey.com). In addition, our freshmen have had opportunities to experience what Telstar Freshmen Academy will be like by spending a few days and one overnight right on the Bryant Pond Campus. This allowed students to begin the experience of the program; it also allowed us to look at our plans in action and work out any issues that may have arisen, so when we roll the program out next month, we will be as prepared as possible.

THS Winter Sports previews

Telstar Boys' Basketball preview

By Kallie Oakes, Sun Media Wire

Mike Pelletier's name adorns the wall of the Telstar gym as one of the all-time leading scorers in the history of the boys' basketball program.

The 1991 graduate is back, this time as the Rebels' coach. He's making no predictions of banners or hardware at this point. Rather, Pelletier hopes to lead Telstar to respectability after a couple of lean seasons.

Telstar's athleticism is intriguing, particularly among its underclassmen. Pelletier considers junior guard Cameron Pike his most talented player, going as far as to say, "we'll go where he takes us." Pike transferred back into the program after a year away and has shown flashes of brilliance in the preseason.

Sophomore Tanner Wheeler is an emerging standout on the wing. Jeremiah Richardson, another sophomore, provides size at 6-foot-5, while Jarrett Bean, a 6-1, 200-pound freshman, will help the Rebels bang on the offensive and defensive glass.

As for the seniors, Maverick Griffin provides a steady presence at point guard, while Zach Wheeler returns after taking a year off to concentrate on other sports. Mike Dougherty is an experienced battler in the paint.

The Rebels averaged a minus-27 point differential a year ago. For now, Pelletier said, he is focused on improving that number, hoping that more wins are the result.

Players

Returning players: Seniors — Maverick Griffin (5-9 guard), Mike Dougherty (6-2 center); Sophomores — Tanner Wheeler (6-2 forward/guard), Brandon Dougherty (5-10 guard). Key losses: Tyler Cherkis (5-8 guard), Austin Ryerson (5-11 guard/forward), Nick Conrad (5-8 guard), Bronson Dean (6-3 forward).

Promising newcomers: Senior — Zach Wheeler (5-10 forward); Juniors — Cameron Pike (5-9 guard); Sophomores — Avry Griffin (5-10 guard), Tanner Wheeler (6-2 forward/guard), Jeremiah Richardson (6-5 center); Freshman — Jarrett Bean (6-1 forward)

Telstar Girls' Basketball preview

By Kevin Mills, Sun Media Wire

After being winless two years ago, the Rebels won two games last season. Telstar hopes to continue to improve and build a more competitive program. The Rebels return six that have been regulars. Pelletier, Howard, Peterson, Stevens, Carr and Hart have all seen their share of varsity time. That gives the team a core of experienced players. That group will have to carry the load. The Rebels have low numbers and not much depth. Martin, Hass and Montagna will contribute off the bench.

The team

Coach: Brian Mills (third year)

Returning players: Senior — Savanna Pelletier G; Juniors — Becca Howard G, Haley Peterson F/G, Blair Stevens F, Naomi Carr F; Sophomore — Natasha Hart G.

Key losses: Casey Blaszcak F, Alyssa Brands F.

Promising newcomers: Junior — Kaylee Hass; Sophomore — Anna Montagna; Freshman — Kylee Martin.

Telstar Nordic Skiing preview

By Nathan Fournier, Sun Media Wire

Coach: Wade Kavanaugh (Second year), Sarah Southam (Third year).

Returning athletes: Boys: Seniors — Liam Gallagher Gregory Wheeler; Sophomores — Alec Fowles, Kellen True. Girls: Senior — Gabi Stone; Juniors — Carla Boyle-Wight, Kaitlyn Brown.

Promising newcomers: Boys: Juniors — Joshua Eliot, Elijah Laird; Freshmen — Gaelen Boyle-Wight. Girls: Freshmen — Marta Opie.

Season outlook: The focus this year will be team work and the importance of every skier in their races. They are excited about the early snow that has hit the region.

Sports SCOREBOARD MVRBL

Dec. 7; The Mountain Valley Rec Basketball League kicked off its 2014/2015 regular season this past Sunday with six of the seven team entries playing. Games again will be played Sundays at either MVHS or MVMS starting at 10 a.m. The season will run from Dec. 7 through March 8 with playoffs culminating with a championship expected to be played on March 22. The 2015 MV Rec Invitational Basketball Tournament will then also be played on March 27, 28 and 29. Last year a record 20 teams participated in the post season event and this year up to 30 are expected.

Defending champion Ranor Mechanical started where they ended last year with a sound trouncing of Jay, 107-55. Kevin Gallant led Ranor with 8 threes and 28 points, new player and big man Steve Lever had 22, veteran Shawn Spadea had 19, venerable Scot New finished with 13 and Craig Milledge had 14. For Jay, Dave St. Germain had 29 points and Tim Turner had 12. In other games, newly formed team The Matterhorn defeated Bethel, 76-57. Big Matt Newel had 32 points, Bonjall Kindel had 14 points and captain Spenser Glover helped out with 10. Bethel was led by Ryan Savage with 25 points and Kevin Bean with 14. Finally Laid Back Installers ran away with a blasting of last year's runner ups, Archie's, 130-67. Jon Benjamin was hot with 7 threes and 49 points, Owen Jones had 21, Brian Canwell had 20, Eric Canwell and Chris Baxter 19 each. Archie's got 37 from second year big man Cody St. Germain, 14 from Brett Archibald and 12 from Whitey Moulton. The seventh team, Neptune Contracting, was off this week.

Blanco, Yulefest at Gould

Gould Academy will welcome inaugural poet Richard Blanco to Bingham Hall auditorium on Dec. 11 at 7:30 p.m. for a special free public reading from his highly acclaimed new book and memoir, "The Prince of Los Cocuyos" (2014). Part of The Richard Blanco Visiting Writers Program and Retreat — a collaboration between Mr. Blanco and Gould Academy. Mr. Blanco's reading continues the program's mission, which aims to celebrate living writers and build appreciation for contemporary work.

And on Friday, Dec. 19, Gould's performing arts chorus and band welcomes the public to its annual Yulefest concert in Bingham Hall auditorium at 4 p.m. Admission is free.

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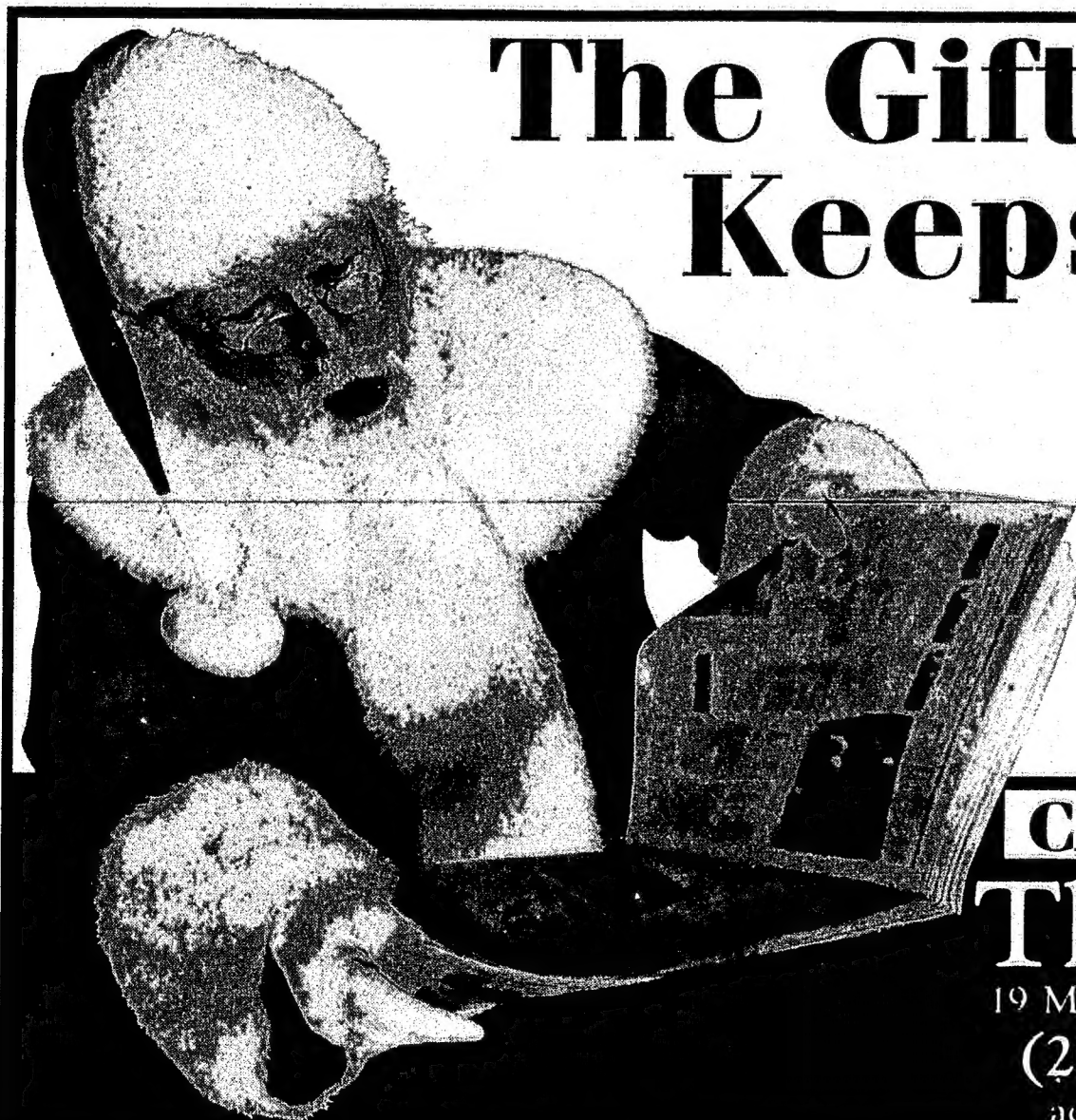
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News from the Bethel Historical Society

Tom Desjardin Program at Gould

Over 100 people, including at least 60 Gould Academy history students, attended the lead-in event to the "Local & Legendary: Maine in the Civil War" project, which was held Thursday evening, Dec. 4, at Bingham Hall auditorium. The event, a lecture by historian and author Tom Desjardin about the effects of the Civil War on Maine, also served as the Bethel Historical Society's annual Stanley Russell Howe Lecture.

A Lewiston native, Tom Desjardin graduated from Florida State University with a Bachelor's degree in Government and a Master's degree in Communication, and holds a Ph.D. in U.S. History from the University of Maine. He currently serves as Governor LePage's Senior Policy Advisor on education and cultural affairs, inland fisheries and wildlife, marine resources, and environmental protection. Prior to joining the administra-

tion, Desjardin worked for 11 years as the historian in the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. He has taught courses in the University of Maine system and at Bowdoin College, among others, and has written five books on Maine history with a primary focus on the state's role in the Civil War. He has worked on both feature films and television and his work has been featured on the History Channel, A&E, Discovery, PBS and C-SPAN. During his illustrated talk, Desjardin pointed out the detrimental effects of the war on Maine's shipbuilding and agricultural activities, among others.

Following the program, Tom Davis and his wife, Ann, representing the Bethel Library Association (one of three partners in the project), provided a most interesting variety of Civil War foods for attendees to sample. In front of each container of food was the name of the item plus a list of the

ingredients from which it was made. This "edible display" rounded out a very successful evening! (For a list of upcoming project events, visit "Local & Legendary: Bethel, Maine, in the Civil War" on Facebook.)

Mason House Christmas Event Attracts Many

On Saturday, Dec. 6, the Society held its ever-popular "Christmas at the Mason House" program between 3:30 and 6 p.m. Each year, the first floor period rooms of the Dr. Moses Mason House (1813) are decorated in traditional style with real boughs and berries, while special lighting is prepared by stationing candles throughout the rooms. Homemade cookies, bars and other treats are offered to the Mason's "guests," and mulled cider is served from the huge winter kitchen fireplace. Over 50 people attended this year's event, which was made possible by the efforts of devoted

volunteers, staff, and our harpist, Conni St. Pierre. Photos taken that evening are available on the Society's Facebook page.

Sale of Collectible Dolls at Ruthie's

The Society would like to thank Terry Perry of Andover for donating a number of collectible dolls as a fundraiser for BHS, and also express its appreciation to Ruth Grover, of Ruthie's Boutique, for displaying and selling them at her Main Street business. A Society Business Partner, Ruth has been displaying a number of these beautiful dolls in her front windows, so do stop by to view them or make a purchase. All funds raised will help support the Society's programs, exhibits and daily operations.

Annual Fund Update

The Society is most grateful to all who have generously supported its 2014 Annual Fund thus far (the campaign will end on Dec. 31). A spe-

cial thank-you goes out to trustee Michael S. Stowell, who has offered to match new and increased gifts up to a total of \$10,000. We're pleased to report that, thanks to the kindness of our donors, we're well on our way toward meeting Mike's matching challenge! The most recent givers to the Annual Fund include the following: Marlene and Lawrence Engdahl, Nancy Fenton, Susan B. Kettinger, Mr. and Mrs. P.W. van der Veer, Doris M. Sandell, William W. and Nancy Stowell White, Lynette Hirschman, John E. Jacobsen, Jr., Dick and Gretchen Rasor, Jacalyn B. Bell, Sue and Linc Fiske, Michael and Katherine Giunta, Lynn Hagen, Will and Mary LeLand, Nancy Berges, Rachel MacKay, and Peter and Vicki Rackliffe.

Founded in 1966, the Bethel Historical Society is the largest and most comprehensive historical organization in its region. With over 800 members, the Society fosters

a sense of place - with a focus on western Maine and the White Mountain region of Maine and New Hampshire - by collecting, preserving, displaying and interpreting historically significant artifacts and documents for residents, visitors, students, and scholars. Through its exhibits, programs and publications, the Society strives to make the region's history meaningful, accessible, and enjoyable for people of all ages. In 1974, the Society acquired the 1813 Broad Street residence of Dr. Moses Mason, which contains a nine-room period house museum, exhibit hall and research library. In 1999, the Society added the adjacent O'Neil Robinson House (1821) to its facilities to house changing exhibits, a museum shop, and administrative offices. For nearly a half century, the Bethel Historical Society's wide-ranging achievements have been recognized by a number of state and national organizations.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Exchange; Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours - No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Bethel Area Food Pantry; serving the residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon to 8 p.m. Anyone in need of food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street, Bethel, by the side entrance on Park Street.

Art Exhibit; "Images of the North Maine Woods," by Michael Everett, depicting river-level views of the Allagash and St. John Rivers, will be on display at the West Paris Library on 226 Main Street until the end of December. Hours: Monday and Friday 1:30 to 6 p.m., Wednesday 1:30 to 7 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. FMI: 874-2004.

Thursday, Dec. 11

Annual Christmas Sale; Ledgeview Living Center, West Paris. 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Any donations will be graciously accepted.

Christmas Sing-Along; 2 p.m., Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Jim Burke is back by popular demand and will be on the keyboard. Members of the newly formed Oxford Hills Ukulele Group will be playing and singing along with us. Janet Willie of Bethel plans to be with us on her penny whistle. The program is open to the public at no charge and light refreshments will be served. The Christmas spirit will be in full reach. Come and join us.

TMS ArtReach "Show Your Sparks" Art Exhibit and Sale; 5 to 8 p.m., Telstar. A program of special student performances will begin at 6 p.m. Admission is free. Refreshments will be provided. FMI: Melissa Prescott, TMS Visual Art Teacher (prescotm@sad44.org).

Reading and Book Signing with Richard Blanco; 7:30 p.m., Bingham Hall, Gould Academy. Mr. Blanco will read from his new book and memoir, "The Prince of Los Cocuyos" (2014), and kick off the second school year of the Visiting Writers Program and Retreat - a partnership program between Mr. Blanco and Gould Academy. FMI: <http://gouldacademy.org/life/inaugural-poet-richard-blanco-reading-at-gould-academy-december-11/>.

Dec. 12 and 14

North Country Chorus; 7 p.m. Friday, 2 p.m. Sunday, St. Kieran Community Center for the Arts, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. FMI: www.stkieranarts.org.

Saturday, Dec. 13

Black Mountain Snowmobile Hill Climb; Lodge opens at 11 a.m. for bib pickup and registration, race begins at 1 p.m. \$15 for pre-registered racers (pre-register at skblackmountain.org beginning Friday, Dec. 5), \$20 for those registering the day of the event (same day registration in person only). Prices are per class, per event. Following the race, competitors may choose to participate in a grudge match for \$5 per match.

Oxford Hills Honey Bee Club Potluck Holiday Party; 1 p.m., Oxford County Extension Center, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. Everyone's welcome. FMI: Kevin (farroutr@roadrunner.com).

Horse Drawn Wagon Rides; 1 to 3 p.m., sponsored by Bethel Shop 'N Save. Meet at the north end of the town common near the Chapman Inn for rides through historic Bethel village.

Clothing Drive/Tree Trimming/Lodge Lighting; 4 to 6 p.m., Mt. Abram Base Lodge. Clothing of all sorts will be collected. There will be live music for all to enjoy. From 4 to 5:45 Children of all ages accompanied by parents will have the opportunity to design and make ornaments to place on Mt. Abram's first ever holiday tree. The craft supplies will be provided and of course it's free! At 6 p.m., grab some free hot cocoa, join us in a few carols and enjoy us lighting up the Mt. Abram Base Lodge and Holiday Tree!

Woodstock Historical Society Meeting/Potluck; Town Office Complex. Potluck at 5 p.m., meeting at 6 p.m. (weather permitting). Please bring a dish to share. Members are welcome to bring Christmas cards to exchange. Donations are still being accepted for the Christmas Angel project in lieu of bringing a gift. There will be no program in December.

"No Turning Back" Ski Film Presentation; Bingham Auditorium, Gould Academy, Church Street,

Bethel. Doors open at 7, Swag and giveaways at 7:15, movie begins at 7:30. \$10 per person. FMI/Tickets: <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/956434> or www.srscc.com/movienight.

Swingin' Bears Teddy Bear Dance; 7 to 10 p.m., Oxford Hills Middle School cafeteria, South Paris. Donations of stuffed toys to support Community Concepts "Right Start for Kids" program will gratefully be accepted. Ray Hilton will be yodeling during some singing calls. Carol Arsenault will cue the rounds. Refreshments will be served at intermission. Door prizes. 50/50 drawing. Admission: \$6 per person, no charge for non-dancers.

Fireworks Display; 8:30 p.m., South Ridge Lodge/Foggy Goggle, Sunday River.

Sunday, Dec. 14

Public Breakfast With Santa; 8 to 10 a.m., VFW Post 9787, Lower Main Street, South Paris. Picture with Santa and gifts for the kids. \$7/adults, kids under 10 free. Sponsored by AMVETS Post 777.

"The Heart of Christmas" Christmas Cantata; 4 p.m., Locke's Mills Union Church. Refreshments following.

Monday, Dec. 15

Essentials of College Planning for adults 19 and over; 10 a.m., Western Maine University and Community College Center, South Paris. FMI/Registration: 1-800-281-3703 or <http://meoc.maine.edu>. Free and open to the public.

Tuesday, Dec. 16

West Paris Historical Society Christmas Party; 6:30 p.m., Ken and Sandra Poland's home on High Street. Bring a dessert to share and a present to exchange. FMI: Betty Jones (674-2507).

Telstar Middle/High School Winter Concert; 7 p.m., Helen Berry Auditorium, Telstar (Snow date, Dec. 18). Performances by Telstar's high school chorus and band under the direction of Jennifer Bennett and Telstar's middle school chorus and band under the direction of Tom Coolidge. Admission is free, but donations are always welcome.

Wednesday, Dec. 17

SeniorsPlus; 1 to 4 p.m., Norway Town Hall. Representatives from SeniorsPlus, the Area Agency on Aging, will be on hand to answer any questions or concerns you may have. Free and open to the public. FMI/appointments: 1-800-427-1241.

Blue Christmas Service; 7 p.m., Bethel United Methodist Church, 79 Main Street, Bethel. "When Holidays Hurt: A Service of Comfort and Hope. This is a quiet service for all who find this season difficult.

Thursday, Dec. 18

Managing Employees Roundtable; 8 to 9 a.m. (Coffee available at 7:45), Norway Town Office, 19 Danforth Street, Norway. Presenter: Erica Douglass, Director of HR at Maine Machine Products Co. and Hoppe Technologies. FMI/Registration: SCORE (743-0499), stevan.veasey@scorevolunteer.org or <http://conta.cc1vQHwBA>.

Knitting and Crocheting Class with Support from Fiber & Vine; 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., SMH Cancer Center, 199 Main Street, Norway. SMH Cancer Center invites patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers to join in with some volunteers from Fiber and Vine. Bring your ongoing knit and crochet projects and/or learn to make chemo caps and prayer shawls. If needed we will provide some yarn and needles at no cost to you. This is a free class for patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers.

Friday, Dec. 19

Gould Yulefest Concert; 4 p.m., Bingham Hall Auditorium, Gould Academy, Church Street, Bethel. Performances by the Gould Academy Band and Chorus. Admission is free.

Las Posadas; 7 p.m., St. Kieran Community Center for the Arts, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. An original operetta based on Tomie DePaola's "The Night of Las Posadas." FMI: www.stkieranarts.org.

Saturday, Dec. 20

Horse Drawn Wagon Rides; 1 to 3 p.m., sponsored by Bethel Shop 'N Save. Meet at the north end of the town common near the Chapman Inn for rides through historic Bethel village.

Shadagee Ramblers Christmas Dance; 7 to 10 p.m. (doors open at 6), Jackson-Silver Post 68 American Legion, 595 Gore Road, Locke's Mills. Admission: \$7. 50/50, Door Prizes, Refreshments.

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5. Playing old-fashioned dance music.

Sunday, Dec. 21

Living Nativity; 5 p.m., Bethel Common. Please join us as we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Living Nativity. It will be followed by a time of sharing Christmas refreshments at the Moses Mason House. Call 207-824-2289 for more information.

Monday, Dec. 22

Celebration Party; 1 to 3 p.m., Harper Conference Center, 193 Main Street, Norway. SMH Cancer Center Staff invites patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers to come to our celebration party. The celebration party is only limited by one's imagination. This is an uplifting gathering to honor celebrating LIFE! It is also a way for you to connect with each other, share your memories that bring about laughter and fun. Come join us and celebrate the miracles of life and be surrounded by people who care and love as much as you do.

SeniorsPlus; 1 to 4 p.m., Fryeburg Public Library. Representatives from SeniorsPlus, the Area Agency on Aging, will be on hand to answer any questions or concerns you may have. Free and open to the public. FMI/appointments: 1-800-427-1241.

Wednesday, Dec. 24

Candlelight Christmas Eve Service; 7 p.m., the Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road (across from Telstar parking lot). Call 207-824-2289 for more info.

Saturday, Dec. 27

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Adults/\$5. Playing old-fashioned dance music.

Hoopalula's Fire Gaia; 7:15 and 8:15 p.m., Slopeside at South Ridge Lodge, Sunday River. Hoopalula takes "hooping" to the next level by adding fire to their performances! Fire-dancing adds exceptional flair and provides sizzling entertainment that will leave you raving for more. FMI: Sundayriver.com.

Fireworks Display; 8:30 p.m., South Ridge Lodge/Foggy Goggle, Sunday River.

Monday, Dec. 29

Family Peak Dinner with Eddy the Yeti; 6 p.m., Sunday River's Peak Lodge. Ride the Chondola to Sunday River's mid-mountain Peak Lodge for a special family dinner with Eddy the Yeti and his friend Betty. Eddy and Betty will be there to greet everyone, followed by a reading from the Eddy the Yeti book. The dinner is buffet-style with kid favorites including pizza and macaroni & cheese. FMI/Reservations: 1-800-543-2754.

Tuesday, Dec. 30

G-Force Laser Tag; Grand Summit Hotel, Sunday River. The Grand Summit Ballroom will be filled with inflatable obstacles, black lights, and, of course, some killer tunes, while two 15-person teams do battle. Reservations are highly recommended. \$5 per game. This event is fun for all ages! Children under 5 will require parental supervision. Tickets are available at the door or in advance at hotel front desks, the South Ridge Welcome Center, or by calling 800-543-2754.

Wednesday, Dec. 31

Jones Dance Band New Year Dance; 8 p.m. to midnight, Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. \$20 per person (includes refreshments and dance). Door prizes, 50/50. No reservations.

Fireworks Display; 8:30 p.m., South Ridge Lodge/Foggy Goggle, Sunday River.

Mt. Abram New Year's Eve Party and Fireworks; Live music in the Loose Boots Lounge and a fireworks display at 9:30 p.m. FMI: 875-5000 or www.SkiMtAbram.com.

Thursday, Jan. 1

Bethel Senior Citizens Luncheon Reservation Deadline; See Jan. 14 listing for details.

80th Annual Carter's Last Stand Nordic Day; The full schedule of events includes the choice of an interpretive snowshoe tour with a forest biologist, uphill Nordic ski climb to the top of Farwell Mountain, guided cross-country ski tour along the Androscoggin River or a kids' x-country ski and snowshoe activity. \$25/adults, \$15/juniors (6-18), free/ages 5 and under. FMI/Reservations: 539-4848.

Friday, Jan. 9

Fireworks Display; 8:30 p.m., South Ridge Lodge/Foggy Goggle, Sunday River.

Wednesday, Jan. 14

Bethel Senior Citizens Luncheon (Rescheduled from Dec. 10); 11 a.m., the Bethel Inn. Menu: Turkey or haddock. Reservations must be made before Jan. 1 by calling Arlene Lowell at 824-2877 with your choice.

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REGULAR EVENTS

MUNICIPAL

Bethel Selectmen: Second Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.
Bethel Planning Board: Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.
Bethel Water District: Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.
Gilead Selectmen: Second Wednesdays of the month, 6 p.m., Town Office.
Gilead Planning Board: First Thursdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.
Greenwood Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.
Hanover Selectmen: Third Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. unless otherwise posted.
Hanover Planning Board: First Wednesday, 6 p.m.
Newry Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.
Newry Planning Board: First and third Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.
Woodstock Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays, 5 p.m., Town Office.
Woodstock Planning Board: First and third Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Town Office.
SAD 44 School Board: Second Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Telstar High School (occasionally meet at other schools; call 824-2185 for info).

ORGANIZATIONS

Andover
 Sundays, 6 p.m. Andover School Withdrawal Committee meets.
 Mondays and Tuesdays, 4:30 p.m.-Andover Fitness Club, Andover Elementary School gym.
Bethel
 First Sunday of month, 7 p.m. - Bethel Snow Twisters at 208 Walkers Mills Rd.
 Third Sunday of each month, 9 a.m. - Breakfast open to the public at no charge at Bethel Church of the Nazarene.
 Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m. - Bethel Bicycle/Western Maine Velo road cycling rides, departing from Bethel Bicycle. Please call 824-0100 for more information and/or go to our FB page, all rides are posted there.
 First Wednesday, 6:30-8 p.m. - Lyme Disease Support & Education Group at Beacon House Peer Center, 3 Canal St. Rumford. FMI: 357-1926 or 824-3076.
 Third Wednesday, 6:30-8 p.m. - Lyme Disease Support & Education Group at Telstar High School Library. FMI: 357-1926 or 824-3076.
 Last Wednesday of the month, 4:30 to 6 p.m. - Community Supper at Bethel Alliance Church. No charge. FMI: 207-824-2289.
 Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m. - Story Time for Children at Bethel Library (story plus craft) with participating mothers. October thru April. FMI: call 824-2520.
 Second Thursday of the month, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; fourth Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Cross Country Quilters of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at the Alliance Church on Route 26 in Bethel. All quilters welcome. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at p_quilts@yahoo.com or call 836-3575.
Greenwood
 Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Outdoor Market at Northern Roots Grow Supply, 3 Bird Hill Rd., Greenwood. Vendors welcome at no charge. Until early September.
Woodstock
 Second Saturday of month, 6 p.m. - Woodstock Historical Society meeting at the Museum.
Norway/Paris/West Paris
 Tuesdays 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. - West Paris Baptist Church group to foster wellness for anyone searching for faith based support. The group is intended for those facing

the challenges of grief, loss, addiction, codependency, and abuse issues. Light refreshments will be provided.

Third Wednesday of the month, Women's Imaging Center, Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, offering professional prosthetic and bra fittings for women on For appointment call 743-5993 Ext. 6851.

Second Thursday of the month, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Office Building, 193 Main Street, Norway. Staying on Your Feet, a free one-time course for adults aged 60 and over. Course includes balance screening, blood pressure check, leg-strength measurement, and education on staying fit.

Fridays 9:15 a.m. - Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: buzzl16@myfairpoint.net.

Hebron

Sundays 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. - Seasonal Public Skating, Robinson Arena, Hebron. Adults, \$3/Children 12 and under, \$2/WinterKids Passport holders, free. FMI: 966-2100.

Support services

SAFE Voices.

Safe Voices serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

AA Meetings/Addiction help

Bethel Freedom Group. Open Discussion Meeting. Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room. Sunday River. Seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1. Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. 12 Step/Traditions Meeting Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. Candlelight Discussion Meeting Fridays at 6 p.m. at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street.

People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (calls confidential)

Cancer Wellness

Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30 to 3 p.m. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 336-7287. Call to confirm in stormy weather.

Exchanges/Pantries

Clothing Exchange

Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4, Thursday 4 to 6, Saturday, 10 to 12. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours. No exceptions. 824-4090. Clothing may also be dropped off at Northeast Bank on Main Street.

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Help for the Homeless

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a Maternity Group Home program for homeless pregnant and parenting youth ages 18-21 and Case

Management services. Emergency shelter services include the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and their children and the Rumford Family Center for homeless families. To make a referral or to request assistance, please call 743-6363 in the Norway area or 369-9439 in the Rumford area Monday through Friday from 9am-5pm. For more information about Rumford Group Homes, Inc., call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

Mental illness

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Wednesday 3 to 8 p.m.; Friday 2 to 7 p.m.; Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

Veterans' Services

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, Veterans' Advocate visits first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford 9 to 12 noon second Thursday at VA Clinic at 431 Franklin St. (369-3272). Maine Veterans' Services is located at 29 Westminster St., Lewiston (783-5306). (No visits in July)

Multiple services

Community Concepts provides Oxford County Head Start, childcare, free rides to Maine Care appointments, subsidized apartments (Bethel, Brownfield, Fryeburg, Norway, Rumford, South Paris), affordable home-ownership opportunities, homeless shelter and assistance with home heating or weatherizing. FMI: call (800) 866-5588 or visit www.community-concepts.org.

Alzheimer's Support

An Alzheimer's Support Group meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Rumford Community Home located at 11 John F. Kennedy Lane. All are welcome. For more information call Sue Ellen Richardson, Social Service Director or Terry Drury, Residential Director at 364-7863.

Brain injury support

Brain Injury Support Group for individuals with brain injuries and their families. West Side NeuroRehab, 618 Main St., Lewiston. First Monday of the month, 6 to 8 p.m. FMI: Deb Hammer 795-6110.

Library hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1 to 4:30 pm; Thursday 1 to 4:30 & 6 to 8 p.m. Tel: 392-4841

Bethel Library:

Monday 9 to 1; Tuesday 1-5; Wednesday 1 to 8; Thursday & Friday 1 to 5 Saturday, 9 to 1. Story Hour Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m., October to May. Tel: 824-2520.

Whitman Memorial

Library, Bryant Pond: Tel: 665-2505. Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 5 p.m.

West Paris Library,

West Paris: Monday 1:30 to 6; Wednesday 1:30 to 7; Friday 1:30 to 6; Saturday 10 to 2. Patty Makley, Librarian. Tel: 674-2004

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library,

Hanover: Wednesday, 9 to 3; Thursday, 5 to 8; Saturday, 9 to noon.

Calendar items

Calendar items may be brought to the Citizen office, e-mailed to news@bethelcitizen.com or faxed 824-2426. Deadline is Monday at Noon.

CHURCH SERVICES

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI: 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m. 1063 South Main St. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - 251 Walker's Mills Road, Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Senior Pastor and Nicholas Luitzo, Youth Pastor. Sundays: 9 a.m. Sunday School for adults, teens and children; 10 a.m. Worship Service (Nursery care and Children's Church are available); 4:30-6 p.m. Kidz Klub (4 yrs-5th grade). Thursdays: 5-7 p.m. Middle and High School Youth Group. FMI: 207-824-2289.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene - 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 (for all ages). Pastor Peter Carter. The third Sunday of every month at 9 a.m. breakfast open to the public, no charge. Morning Worship 10:30. Wednesday evening 6 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study. FMI, transportation or prayer please contact Elaine Carter 415-9136, or Juanita Korhonen 665-2528.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Route 26). Fr. Gregory Dube may be reached at the parish office 364-4556. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Announcements. FMI: 824-2933.

West Parish Congregational - Church Street. Rev. Richard Bennett. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School Sept.-May. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast Group. Entrance in rear of church. All events open to everyone. This is an open and affirming congregation. FMI: 824-2689.

United Methodist - 79 Main Street. Pastor Carol Stevens. Sunday worship service 9 a.m. FMI: 824-2027.

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. FMI: 836-3533.

Pleasant Valley Bible Pastor Dave Fraher. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m. Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study and prayer, Wednesday 6 p.m. Awana Club Fridays 3:30 to 5 p.m. (Cubbies ages 3/4; Sparks Grades K-2; children may take bus from school). FMI: 836-2828. Visit us on our Facebook page.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. FMI: 357-7814.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. (North Waterford and East Stoneham

Congregational Churches will hold their joint services in the church on Route 5 in East Stoneham during May.) Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9 a.m., followed by Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

LOCKE'S MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday Morning Service and Sunday School, 9 to 10 a.m. Choir practice at the church every Friday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. 875-3355.

NORTH WATERFORD/STONEHAM

OXFORD COUNTY UNITED PARISH (North Waterford and East Stoneham) - Summer services at 9 a.m. in the North Waterford Church on Route 35 across from Melby's Eatery. On July 20 a special-and casual-church service will be held on the Fairgrounds during the Waterford World's Fair, with shuttle service available on site. In September, services will return to the East Stoneham Church, Route 5, and the regular hour of 10. All are welcome.

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wednesday Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (catercorner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 207-890-9944 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, South Paris. Pastor Nancy Moore. Sunday morning service 11 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m. Singsperation third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m. FMI: 689-8000.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship: 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, South Paris across the park from the Post Office. FMI: call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Norway. Services Sunday at 9 a.m. and Wednesday at 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist. 743-6782; e-mail christch@megalink.net.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill, 10:30 a.m. worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake. FMI 743-2491.

St. Catherine's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. FMI 743-2666.

Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11 a.m. worship. (Sept. - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. FMI 743-2828.

GORHAM, N.H.

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.. FMI: 603-466-2851.

Gorham Congregational Church - Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m. All welcome; free coffee. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI: 603-466-2136.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass. 276 King St. Oxford.

Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church - Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary. 364-2193.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, St. Athanasius and St. John - 125 Main Ave. Monday Liturgy of the word 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Tuesday Mass 6:30 p.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Wednesday Liturgy of the word 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Wednesday Mass 9 a.m., Our Lady of the Snows, Bethel; Thursday Mass 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Friday Mass 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Saturday Mass 4 p.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Saturday Mass 6 p.m., Our Lady of the Snows, Bethel; Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford.

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. 89 Congress St. Adult and teen Sunday school 9 a.m. Sunday worship service at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday night Bible study 6:45 p.m. FMI: 364-3856.

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, 8:30 a.m., followed by coffee and refreshments.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m. 207-388-2610.

WEST PARIS

First Universalist Church - 208 Main St., W. Paris. 9 a.m. services September to June. FMI: Bob Clifford 674-3442.

West Paris Baptist - 15 Church St. Sunday Worship: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday School: 11 a.m.; Word of Life Youth: 6 p.m. Word of Life Olympians (kids club) - 6 p.m. Wednesday. Ladies' Bible Study - Monday, 6:30 p.m. Food pantry for West Paris residents, first and third Tuesdays of month, 1-3 p.m. Pastor Scott Randolph, 376-6854.

Mission Congregational Church - Wallace Farnum, pastor. Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Matt Jones, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6 p.m.; Mid-week Service Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Greg Carlson 207-527-2551, Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends - a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. FMI: 824-8669.

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Local attorneys to form new firm

Bethel-based attorneys Kirk G. Siegel and Jarrod S. Crockett have announced the formation of a new law firm, Siegel & Crockett, P.C., effective Jan. 1, 2015. The firm will focus on real estate transactions and title examination, land disputes, land conservation and family land planning, business formation, estate planning, probate practice, and general litigation. Crockett and Siegel are currently renovating the "Young House" at 63 Main Street in Bethel, which previously housed Erin's Café. The attorneys will operate at their existing location at 14 Main Street for the month of January until the im-

provements are complete. Crockett, an attorney with Hanley & Associates since 2008, is a former Maine legislator who was raised in Oxford County, graduated from Gould Academy, and served as a U.S. Army Infantry Officer for several years. For his service in Afghanistan, Crockett received the Combat Infantryman Badge and a Bronze Star Medal; he continues to serve in the U.S. Army Reserves. Crockett graduated from Radford University followed by Appalachian School of Law and interned for U.S. Senator Olympia Snowe and Justice Thomas Delahanty II in the Maine Super-



rior Court. Jarrod's wife, Paige, is a legal assistant with the firm, and a former U.S. Field Director for Peace and Hope Trust, Inc., an international re-

lief and development organization. They and their two children, Teddy and Jocelyn, live in Bethel. Also joining the new firm is Carol Bourque, who has

worked as a paralegal for Attorneys Crockett and Siegel in their Bethel office for two years, following a 32-year career in the legal department at John Hancock Financial Services in Boston. Siegel has practiced real estate, title, and land conservation law for the last 15 years as a partner at Hanley & Associates in South Paris and Bethel and has served as counsel on complex land transactions from York to Aroostook counties. He is a summa cum laude graduate of the University of Maine School of Law and Dartmouth College. A resident of Albany Township, Siegel is a founder and for-

mer board chair of the Ma-hoosuc Land Trust and has served as a member of the Gould Academy Board of Trustees. Siegel is a volunteer ski coach, and he and his wife, Martha, are outdoor recreation advocates with the Bethel Outing Club and other local outdoor groups. Siegel and Crockett are currently notifying clients of their current firm, Hanley & Associates, of the Jan. 1 move to Siegel & Crockett. Clients may elect to maintain their files with either firm. Until that date, clients can contact Hanley & Associates at 207-743-4297 (South Paris) or 207-824-0717 (Bethel) if they have questions.

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Happening Around Town

Singalong

Thursday, December 11

With Jim Burke. 2-3 p.m. Whitman Memorial Library, 28 South Main St., Bryant Pond.

Artreach Student

Art Sale Benefit

Thursday, December 11

Free event featuring a student art exhibit and sale, and showcase of service-learning projects. Telstar HS Auditorium & Cafeteria, 284 Walkers Mills Road, Bethel. FMI: Melissa Prescott, TMS Visual Art Teacher- prescottm@sad44.org.

Horse Drawn Wagon Rides

Saturday, December 13

Horse drawn wagon rides for the whole family from 1-3 p.m., sponsored by the Good Food Store. Meet at the north end of the town common near the Chapman Inn for rides through historic Bethel village.

Clothing Drive, Tree Trimming and Lodge Lighting Party at Mt. Abram

Saturday, December 13

4-6pm. Mt. Abram will be collecting clothing of all sorts of clothing, big, small, short and tall! But you don't have to bring anything to participate in the fun. There will be live music for all to enjoy. From 4 to 5:45 Children of all ages accompanied by parents will have the opportunity to design and make ornaments to place on Mt. Abram's first-ever holiday tree. The craft supplies will be provided and of course it's free! At 6 o'clock, grab some free hot cocoa, join us in a few carols and enjoy us lighting up the Mt. Abram Base Lodge and Holiday Tree!

Heart of Christmas

Sunday, December 14

Christmas cantata performed by the community choir from area churches. Directed by Patricia Boyle-Wight. Refreshments following. 4pm. FMI: Joyce Hathaway, 207-674-2259. Locke Mills Union Church, Rt. 26, Locke Mills.

Telstar High & Middle School Winter Concert

Tuesday, December 16

7 pm in the Helen C. Berry Auditorium.



Strategies for shopping local this holiday season

1. Try at least one new store that you haven't visited before. If you intentionally stretch your boundaries, you might be surprised at what you find and the people you meet!
2. Decide to spend a specific amount of money locally. Whether it's \$20, \$50, \$100, or whatever fits in your budget, it all makes an impact.
3. Everyone loves gift certificates, and they are usually available in any amount from almost any store. Instead of gift cards to a generic big box store that your recipient will have to drive a long way to spend, pick them up locally.

Patchwork Bean Soup Mix

- 1 cup dried kidney beans
- 1/2 cup dried black-eyed peas
- 1/2 cup dried black beans
- 1/2 cup dried red beans
- 1/2 cup dried Great Northern beans
- 1/2 cup dried lima beans
- 3 tbsp chicken bouillon granules
- 1 tbsp dried, minced onion
- salt & pepper to taste
- 1/2 tsp garlic powder
- 1 tbsp dried parsley flakes
- 1 tsp celery seed
- 1/4 cup brown sugar packed

Layer 1/2 cup of each type of bean in a one-quart, wide mouth canning jar. In a plastic zipping bag, blend together seasonings. For gift giving, attach instructions.

Attach Instructions: Add beans to a large stockpot, cover with hot water and let soak over night. Drain and add 2 quarts of water. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer, covered, one to 2 hours or until beans are almost tender. Stir in two, 14-1/2 oz cans stewed tomatoes and seasoning mix. Simmer, uncovered one to 1-1/2 hours or until beans are tender. Makes approximately 12 cups.

Chewy Bars in a Jar

- 1/2 cup peanut butter chips
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- 1 cup brown sugar, packed and divided
- 2 cups biscuit baking mix, divided

Layer ingredients in a one-quart, wide mouth canning jar in the following order: peanut butter chips, pecans, 1/2 cup brown sugar, one cup baking mix, remaining brown sugar and biscuit mix. Pack tightly between each layer. Additional peanut butter chips may be added if there is extra room at the top of the jar. Secure lid.

Attach Instructions: Empty jar in a large mixing bowl. Add 1/2 cup melted butter, one egg and one teaspoon vanilla extract; stir to blend. Press into an 8"x8" greased baking dish; bake at 350 degrees for 18 to 20 minutes or until golden. Makes 18 bars.

PB&J Muffin Mix

- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 cup cornmeal
- 4 tbsp sugar

Combine ingredients together; place in a plastic zipping bag. Attach instructions.

Attach Instructions: Add mix to a large mixing bowl; make a well in the center. In another bowl, mix 3/4 cup peanut butter and 2 tablespoons honey together; blend in 2 eggs, beaten, and one cup milk. Pour into well; stir until just moistened. Fill greased muffin tins half full with batter; place one teaspoon jelly in center. Add batter until 3/4 full; bake at 375 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes. Makes 12.

Tortilla Soup Mix in a Jar

- 2 tbsp chicken bouillon granules
- 1 tsp lemon pepper
- 1 tsp dried cilantro
- 1/2 tsp garlic powder
- 1/2 tsp cumin
- 1/2 tsp dried oregano
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/4 cup dried, minced onion
- 1 cup long-grain rice, uncooked
- 2 to 2 1/2 cups tortilla chips, coarsely crushed
- 5-oz. can chicken
- 10-oz. can diced tomatoes with chiles

Combine the first 8 ingredients in a plastic zipping bag; set aside. Layer rice in a wide-mouth, one-quart jar; pack seasoning bag on top. Fill remaining jar with crushed tortilla chips, packing gently; secure lid. Tape can of chicken to the top of the jar, if desired. Tie jar of mix to the can of diced tomatoes; attach instructions.

Attach Instructions: Place tortilla chips in a small bowl; set aside. Remove seasoning packet; set aside. Add rice to a stockpot; stir in 10 cups water. Mix in chicken and tomatoes with chiles and seasoning packet; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer for 20 minutes. Add tortilla chips; cover and simmer 5 additional minutes. Spoon into bowls while hot. Makes 3 quarts.



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Ho-Ho-Hot Chocolate Mix

- 3/4 cup baking cocoa
- 2 cups powdered non-dairy creamer
- 1 cup sugar
- 6 1-pint jars and lids
- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 6 cups powdered milk
- 2 tsp cinnamon

Mix together all ingredients; divide equally into jars. Attach gift tags with instructions onto each. Makes 6 jars.

Attach Instructions: Combine 1/4 cup mix with one cup hot water. Makes one serving.

White Chocolate-Cherry Bars in a Jar

- 1 cup white chocolate chips
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans, toasted
- 1/2 cup sweetened, dried cherries
- 1 cup brown sugar, packed and divided
- 2 cups buttermilk biscuit baking mix, divided

Layer the first 3 ingredients in the order listed in a one-quart, wide-mouth jar; pack down gently. Layer 1/2 cup brown sugar and one cup buttermilk biscuit mix; repeat last 2 layers. Secure lid.

Attach Instructions: Place mix in a large mixing bowl; toss gently. Add 1/2 cup butter, one egg and 2 teaspoons vanilla extract; mix well. Spread batter into a greased 9"x9" baking pan; bake at 350 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes. Cut into squares to serve. Makes 16.

Harvest Soup Mix

- 3/4 cup dried split peas
- 1 1/3 cup plus 2 tbsp beef bouillon granules
- 1/2 cup pearly barley
- 3/4 cup dried lentils
- 1/2 cup dried, minced onion
- 3/4 cup long-grain wild rice
- 3/4 cup tiny bowtie or alphabet pasta

Blend together all ingredients and place in a one-quart wide-mouth canning jar; add lid.

Tie on a gift card with the following instructions: Place soup mix in a large stockpot. Stir in 3 quarts of water, a 28-ounce can of diced tomatoes, undrained, and 1 1/2 lbs. of stew beef, browned. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer, covered, for one to 2 hours or until peas, lentils and rice are tender. Makes approximately 16 one-cup servings.

Spaghetti Sauce Spice Blend

- 1/4 cup celery salt
- 1 tsp dried basil
- 1 tsp dried oregano
- 1 tsp dried parsley
- 1 tsp garlic powder
- 1 tsp onion salt
- 1 tsp sugar
- 1 tsp pepper

Mix ingredients together; place in an airtight container. Shake before using. Makes about 3/4 cup.

Attach Instructions: To make spaghetti sauce, whisk an 8-ounce can tomatoes with 1/4 cup spice blend in a saucepan; simmer for 30 minutes. Pour over an 8-ounce package prepared pasta. Serves 4.

Friendship Scone Mix

- 1 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 cup quick-cooking oats, uncooked
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
- 1/3 cup mini semi-sweet chocolate chips

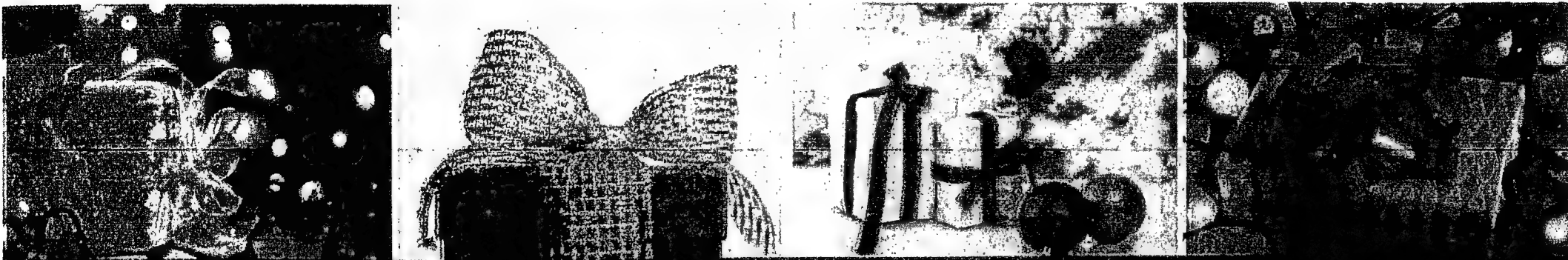
Combine first 3 ingredients together in a large mixing bowl; stir in remaining ingredients. Mix well. Store in an airtight container in a cool, dry place. Attach instructions. Makes 3-1/2 cups mix.

Attach Instructions: Place scone mixture in a large mixing bowl; cut in 1/2 cup butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. In a separate bowl, whisk together 1/4 cup milk with one egg; add to crumb mixture until just moistened. Knead gently on a lightly floured surface 8 to 10 times; pat dough into an 8-inch circle. Cut into 8 wedges; place on a lightly greased baking sheet. Bake at 375 degrees until golden, about 10 to 12 minutes. Serve warm. Makes 8.

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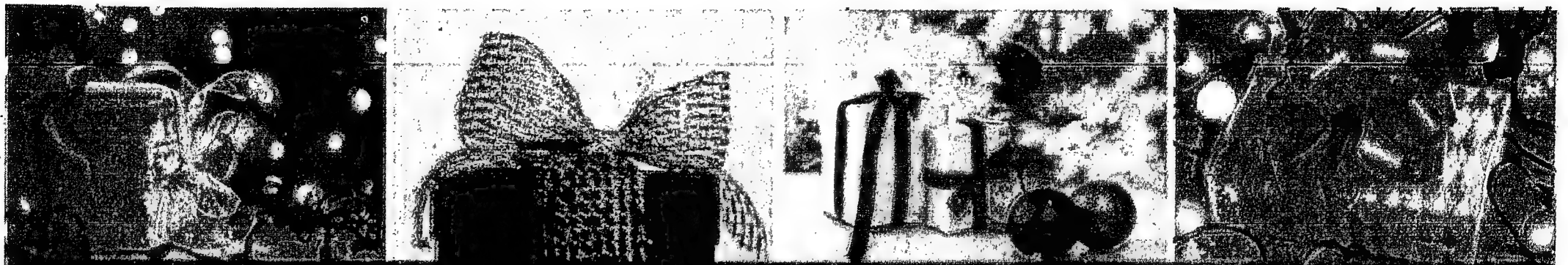
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Shopping is a big part of the holiday season, when families and friends gather to reconnect and exchange gifts. While the popularity of shopping online has grown, such practices are not always eco-friendly or timely, as gifts bought online must be packaged and shipped, wasting valuable resources and time that last-minute shoppers may not have.

The benefits of shopping locally go beyond convenience and the chance to reduce your carbon footprint. The following are a few ways that shopping locally this holiday season can directly benefit your community and the people who call it home.

CUSTOMER SERVICE

The accessibility of customer service is another oft-overlooked benefit of shopping locally. When buying from national chains, especially during the holiday season when such businesses may be overwhelmed with orders, making contact with customer service departments can be a trying exercise in patience. Long wait times on the phone or online can make the process of contacting customer service extremely frustrating. But such frustration is rare when buying from local businesses, as consumers can simply take their products into the store, where employees can immediately address their concerns. In addition, buying locally makes it more convenient for friends and family members who also live in your community to return their gifts.

LOCAL ECONOMY

When you shop locally, you are putting money back into the community. Local small businesses are owned by your neighbors, and it can be comforting to know that your holiday shopping dollars are going to support a neighbor instead of a large corporation. Local businesses also employ your neighbors, so shopping local can strengthen the local economy by creating jobs that may not exist if you and members of your community fail to support local small businesses.

COMMUNITY IDENTITY

Local small businesses go a long way toward creating a neighborhood identity, and that identity can create a stronger sense of community among you and your neighbors. In addition, a unique community identity can make your town more attractive to outsiders, and that appeal can improve the value of local real estate while also attracting more people to local businesses in your neighborhood.

UNIQUENESS OF GIFTS

The gifts you buy when shopping locally also can benefit your community. Gifts purchased from small local businesses tend to be more unique than items bought from national chains, as smaller retailers tend to sell more homemade items than their national competitors. Recipients of such items may find such gifts more thoughtful than mass produced items bought from national chains, and the uniqueness of homemade gifts may encourage the gifts recipients to visit your community and do some shopping, further benefitting your local economy.

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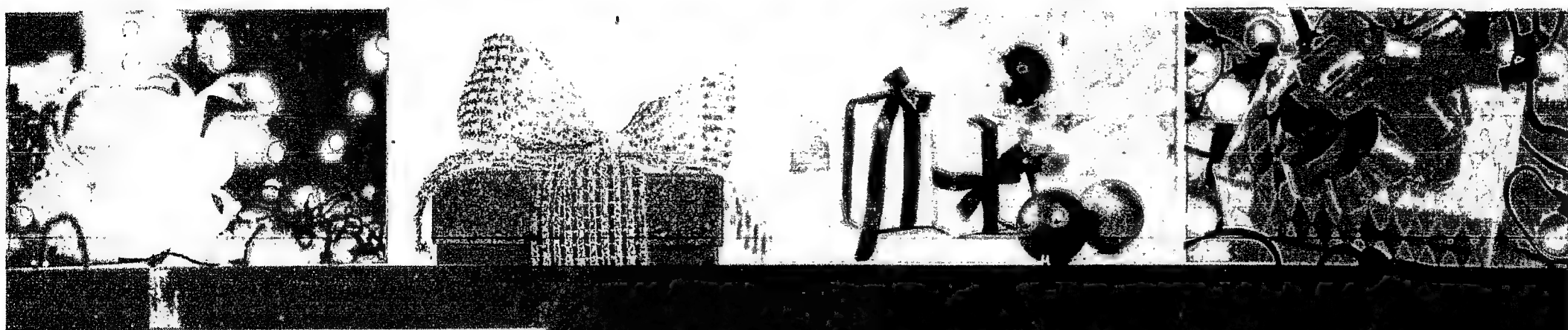
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by Helene Hovanec

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3 Letters

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TAG

4 Letters

EARN
GRIN
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TREE

5 Letters

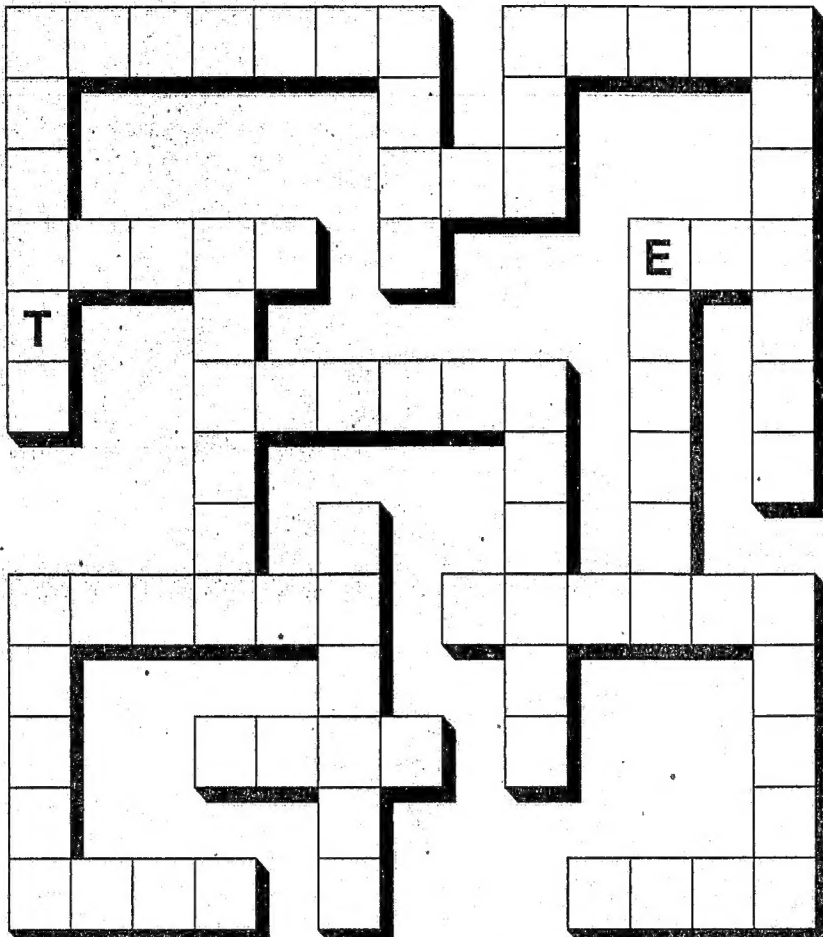
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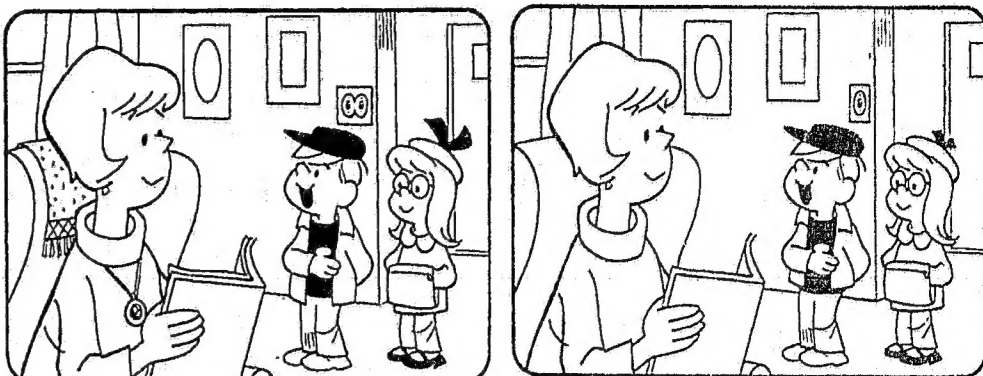
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TODAY'S WORD

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Coverlet is missing. 2. Pendant is missing. 3. Book has fewer pages. 4. Switch is different. 5. Jacket is shorter. 6. Bow is different.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: F equals L

XNSD JT GWTGFW RSFF SZ

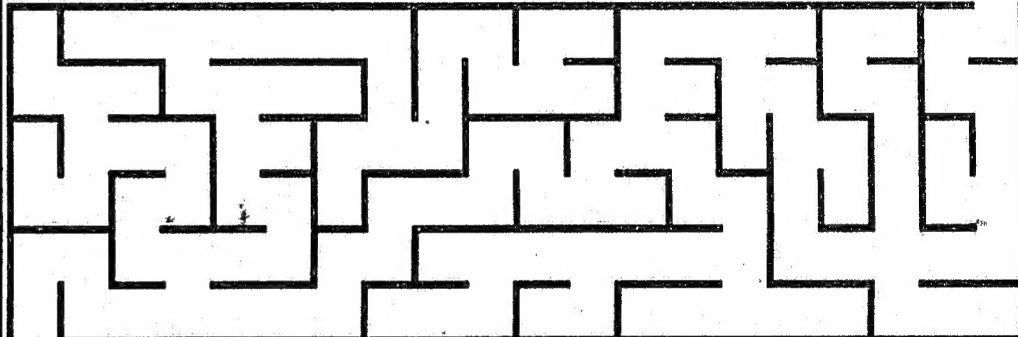
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Super Crossword

TEE TIME

ACROSS

- 1 Persistent Dr. Seuss character
- 7 Total stupor
- 13 —-laire
- 20 Actress Wilde
- 21 Fifth U.S. president
- 22 Writer Caldwell
- 23 Dissuade people from using a bridge?
- 25 "Look, Ma" follower
- 26 Be a thespian
- 27 Impressionist Claude
- 28 Frogs' relatives
- 30 Destroy the interior of
- 31 Azure
- 34 Horse riders' shop?
- 37 Above, in odes
- 38 Twofold nature
- 41 Errand boy
- 42 Thieving Fink?
- 46 Grammy winner — James

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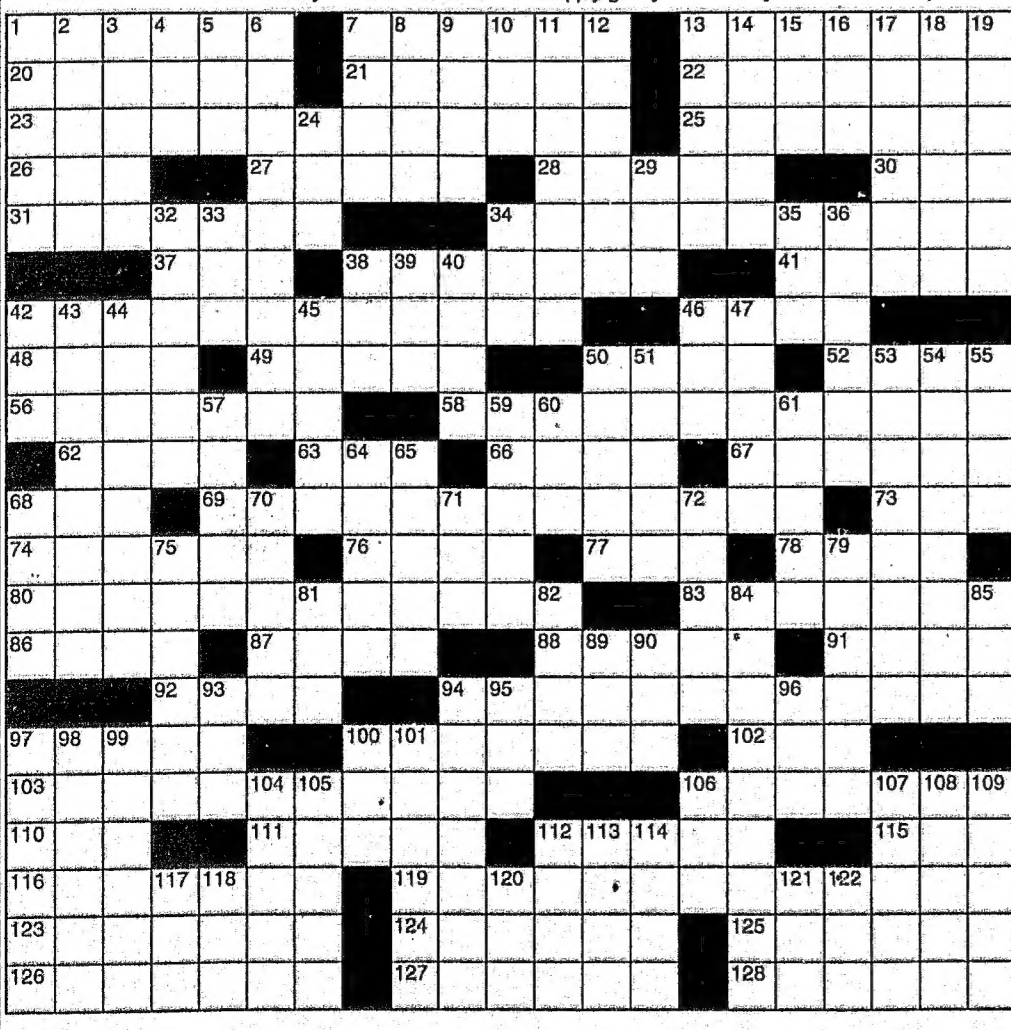
- 48 —-Z ('80s Camaro)
- 49 "Revolver" or "Tapestry," e.g.
- 50 Lose iciness
- 52 Run through small holes
- 56 "GoldenEye" Bond girl
- 58 Open courts used by opera singers?
- 62 Delayed
- 63 "— be back"
- 66 Post Edward
- 67 Drink in
- 68 Stiller of film
- 69 Predicament experienced by humans?
- 73 Unused, in Ulm
- 74 Self-evident statements
- 76 107, in old Rome
- 77 Actress Irving
- 78 With 33-Down, whom "nobody doesn't like"
- 80 Moistens meat while drunk?
- 83 Puerto Rico's —
- Observatory

DOWN

- 1 Pops
- 2 Smart —
- 3 Thurber's
- 4 "— done it!"
- 5 Run on TV
- 6 Fred of "My Three Sons"
- 7 "That's my cue!"
- 8 Shot amount
- 9 Tech. school
- 10 "— quit!" (threat ender)
- 11 Hold
- 12 "Holy moly!"
- 13 Ivan of tennis
- 14 Came up
- 15 Suffix with amateur
- 16 Jamaican pop music
- 17 Honor with a tune
- 18 Tough out
- 19 Rind-cutting tool
- 24 Caviar
- 29 USN ranker
- 32 Spotted lynx
- 33 See 78-Across
- 34 — Poke (caramel lollipop)
- 35 USAF NCO
- 36 Raises one's naps
- 127 High regard
- 128 Wised off to
- 38 Apply gently

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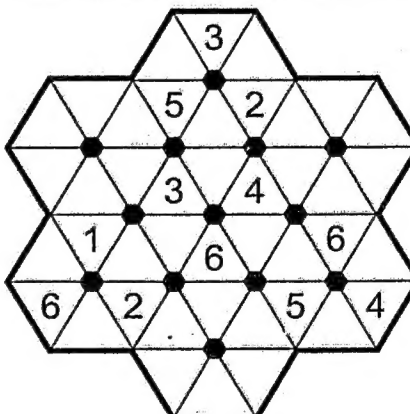
- 39 Land east of Arg.
- 40 24-hr. cash dispensers
- 42 — Tin Tin
- 43 Verbal test
- 44 Plant studier
- 45 Britain's Tony
- 46 Suffix with Euclid
- 47 Time when DST starts
- 50 Merry refrain
- 51 A eunuch guards it
- 53 Like liver, nutritionally
- 54 Like offenses one can get canned for
- 55 Perfume since 1931
- 57 "— at 'em!"
- 59 Village song
- 60 Architect I.M.
- 61 Belittle
- 64 Rank above maj.
- 65 Mollen flows
- 66 Slugger Ruth
- 70 "Hot Stuff" actor Davis
- 71 Pot topper
- 72 Mariah Carey
- #1 hit
- 75 New York county or lake
- 79 Mimosa- family tree
- 81 Honorary law deg.
- 82 "No big —"
- 84 Homecoming attendees, e.g.
- 85 Suffix with poison
- 89 Former Sprint rival
- 90 Tina's ex
- 93 Decked in a boxing ring
- 94 Foyer sofas
- 95 Josephine of mysteries
- 96 Hide-hair link
- 97 Some steaks
- 98 It has a pH above 7.0
- 99 Little bump
- 100 Day after Fri.
- 101 Threefold
- 104 Granny on "The Nanny"
- 105 Ship parts
- 106 Diem lead-in
- 107 Adjectives modify them
- 108 Throng
- 109 Forward
- 112 Russo of "Ransom"
- 113 Buffalo's lake
- 114 E-mail clutter
- 117 U.S. fighters
- 118 Scorching
- 120 Little child
- 121 — Na Na
- 122 "Help us!"



SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



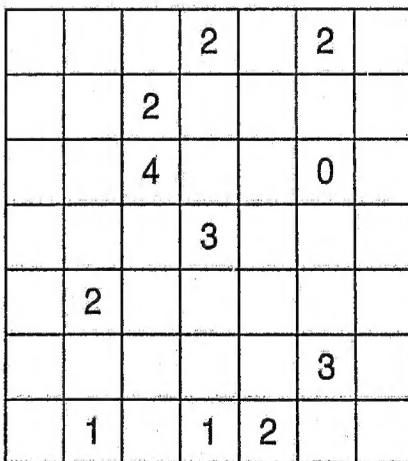
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦
♦ Easy ♦♦ Medium ♦♦♦ Difficult

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By Linda Thistle

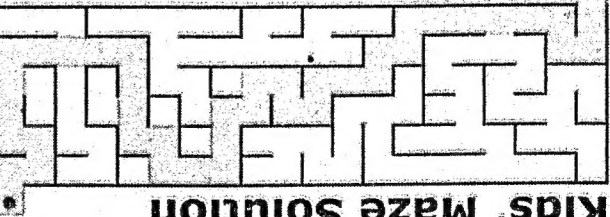
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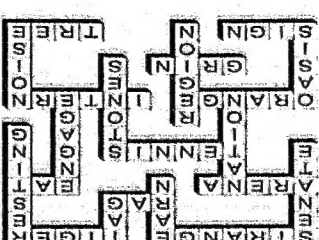
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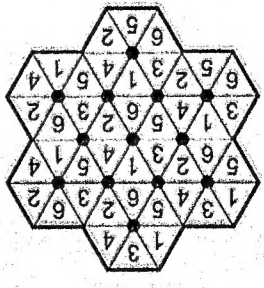


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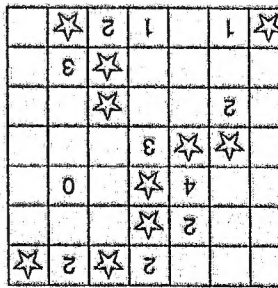
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

WHEREAS, on September 4, 2014, a Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale was entered by the District Court, District Eleven, Division of Northern Oxford, in an action entitled *The Summit Condominium Owners Association v. Bruce Thiebault and Priscilla Thiebault*, under Docket No. RUM-RE-14-40, for the foreclosure of condominium association fees due from the said Bruce Thiebault and Priscilla Thiebault to the Summit Condominium Owners Association, a copy of said Judgment being duly recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds, and,

WHEREAS, the statutory ninety (90) day redemption period has elapsed without redemption by the said Defendants, their successors or assigns;

NOW, THEREFORE, by order of and in execution of said Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale, notice is hereby given that there will be sold at public sale at 10:15 a.m. on Friday, January 2, 2015, at the office of John S. Jenness, Jr., Esq., at 23 Market Square, South Paris, Maine, all and singular the premises described in said Judgment, to wit:

Certain real estate located in the Town of Newry, County of Oxford and State of Maine, more particularly described as follows:

Unit No. 240 Time Share Unit Quarter II in Building I of Phase I in The Summit at Sunday River, A Condominium, located in the Town of Newry, County of Oxford and State of Maine, a condominium established by Sunday River Skiway Corporation pursuant to the Maine Condominium Act and by Declaration of Condominium dated December 14, 1992, and recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds, Eastern District, in Book 1963, Page 187 (which Declaration, together with the Exhibits and/or appendices thereto, and any amendments, is herein termed "Declaration" and to which reference is hereby made), which said unit is shown on the floor plans of the building identified above recorded simultaneously with said Declaration in said Registry of Deeds. Reference is also made to survey plan, by Dana C. Douglass, Jr., R.S., likewise recorded simultaneously with said Declaration in said Registry.

Being precisely the same premises conveyed to Bruce Thiebault and Priscilla Thiebault by Warranty Deed of Victoria A. Carr dated May 2, 2012, which is recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 4843, Page 65, and entitled and subject to all benefits and restrictions as described therein.

TERMS OF SALE: Pursuant to Title 14 M.R.S.A. §6323, the public sale shall be held not less than thirty (30) days nor more than forty-five (45) days after the first date of publication of this Notice. The Association shall sell the premises to the highest bidder at the public sale and deliver a deed of such sale to the purchaser, which deed shall convey the premises free and clear of all interest of the parties-in-interest joined in the action. The Association or any other party-in-interest may bid at the public sale. All bids are to be supported by 10% deposit, except for banks. All deposits are to be made either in cash or by certified check at the time of bidding. Closing on the sale shall occur within thirty (30) days of the date of the sale. All other terms are to be announced at the sale or may be obtained by contacting the Association at its place of business in Newry, Maine, or the undersigned attorney for the Association.

DATED AT PARIS, MAINE, this 18th day of November, 2014.

THE SUMMIT CONDOMINIUM OWNERS ASSOCIATION
By: John S. Jenness, Jr.
Its Attorney
23 Market Square
South Paris, Maine 04281
(207) 743-2096

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

WHEREAS, on September 4, 2014, a Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale was entered by the District Court, District Eleven, Division of Northern Oxford, in an action entitled *Jordan Grand Condominium Owners Association v. Bruce R. Kenwood and Meera Kanhouwa*, under Docket No. RUM-RE-14-44, for the foreclosure of condominium association fees due from the said Bruce R. Kenwood and Meera Kanhouwa to the Jordan Grand Condominium Owners Association said Judgment being duly recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds and,

WHEREAS, the statutory ninety (90) day redemption period has elapsed without redemption by the said Defendants, their successors or assigns;

NOW, THEREFORE, by order of and in execution of said Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale, notice is hereby given that there will be sold at public sale at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, January 2, 2015, at the office of John S. Jenness, Jr., Esq., at 23 Market Square, South Paris, Maine, all and singular the premises described in said Judgment, to wit:

Certain real estate located in the Town of Newry, County of Oxford and State of Maine, more particularly described as follows:

Use Period IV in Unit 140/142 (the "Quarter Share Estate") at the Jordan Grand at Sunday River, A Condominium, a condominium established in accordance with the Maine Condominium Act, Chapter 31 of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, 1964, as amended, and in accordance with the Maine statute regarding Time Share, Chapter 10-A of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, 1964, as amended, together with said Quarter Share Estate's percentage interest and all other appurtenant rights in Common Elements and Limited Common Elements, all as more particularly described in the Declaration of Condominium, The Jordan Grand at Sunday River, A Condominium, Newry, Maine, dated December 17, 1997, and recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 2507, Page 117 (the "Declaration"), and as delineated on the Plans and Plans of The Jordan Grand at Sunday River, A Condominium, recorded in said Registry of Deeds, Plan numbers 3085 through 3092.

Said Quarter Share Estate and appurtenances are conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all of the terms, provisions, conditions, restrictions, easements, covenants, obligations, reservations and encumbrances contained or referred to in said Declaration and said Plans and Plans, all of which are incorporated herein, as the same may be amended or modified from time to time.

Being precisely the same premises conveyed to Bruce R. Kenwood and Meera Kanhouwa by Warranty Deed of the Grand Summit Resort Properties, Inc., dated February 13, 1998, which is recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 2525, Page 284, and entitled and subject to all benefits and restrictions as described therein.

TERMS OF SALE: Pursuant to Title 14 M.R.S.A. §6323, the public sale shall be held not less than thirty (30) days nor more than forty-five (45) days after the first date of publication of this Notice. The Association shall sell the premises to the highest bidder at the public sale and deliver a deed of such sale to the purchaser, which deed shall convey the premises free and clear of all interest of the parties-in-interest joined in the action. The Association or any other party-in-interest may bid at the public sale. All bids are to be supported by 10% deposit, except for banks. All deposits are to be made either in cash or by certified check at the time of bidding. Closing on the sale shall occur within thirty (30) days of the date of the sale. All other terms are to be announced at the sale or may be obtained by contacting the Association at its place of business in Newry, Maine, or the undersigned attorney for the Association.

DATED AT PARIS, MAINE, this 18th day of November, 2014.

JORDAN GRAND CONDOMINIUM OWNERS ASSOCIATION
By: John S. Jenness, Jr.
Its Attorney
23 Market Square
South Paris, Maine 04281
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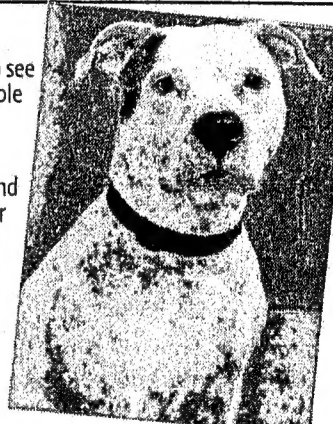
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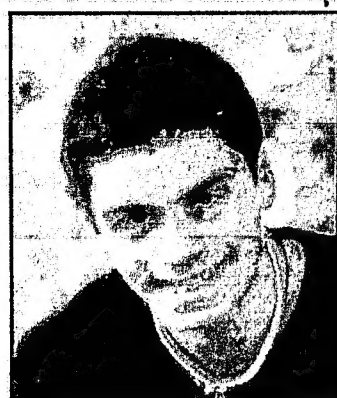
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Obituaries



MARCUS BENNETT
 Marcus Christopher Bennett, 19, of Lewiston, went home to be with his Lord and to meet his father and twin, on Dec. 7 in Lewiston.

Marcus was blessed to have two sets of parents, April and Coley Barker of Lewiston and Jackie and David Bennett, who loved and nurtured him throughout his life. He was born in Norway on May 26, 1995. An amazing young man, Marcus had many talents and aspirations. He loved art, a talent he inherited from his father, videography, photography, and hanging with his best friends Dale (Cannoli) Cannoli and Jeff (Fafa) Lamar. He was a graduate of Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School in 2013 and attended UMA in 2013

and 2014, and looked forward to his many conversations with Percy Turner about his future plans. He also enlisted in the United States Marine Corp, acing his ASVAB's and looked forward to attending the ROTC program in the fall of 2015. Marcus loved times spent with his Grammy Kathy Bennett, talking walks, baking or spending time in the garden. Family was very important to Marcus and he loved going fishing, camping and mining with them. One of his favorite memories was going to the MMA fight and

the five finger death punch concert with his Dad, Coley. He made sure to pass on to his little brother Coley Jo, his knowledge and love of martial arts, knife collecting and having a general respect for others. The world mourns the loss of this beautiful soul while Heaven celebrates its gain. Marcus is survived by his mothers, April Barker and Jackie Dickman Bennett; his fathers, Coley Darius Barker and David Bennett; a sister, Brianna Green and husband D'Ante of Texas; a brother, Coley Josiah Barker; a niece Aalayah; and a nephew Zachary Green; grandparents Gail Lussier of Mechanic Falls, Phyllis Barker of South Paris, Kathy Bennett of Bryant Pond, and Ray and Ellen Lussier of South Paris. He was predeceased by his biological father Christopher Wells; his twin; grandfathers, Richard Bennett and William Barker. Online condolences may be shared with his family at www.chandlerfunerals.com

Funeral services will be held on Friday, Dec. 12 at 11 a.m. at Chandler Funeral Homes & Cremation Service, 45 Main Street, South Paris. In lieu of flowers the family requests you do a kind deed for someone in your community in remembrance of Marcus.

Managing Employees: Best Practices

Oxford Hills SCORE in conjunction with Oxford Hills Chamber of Commerce is pleased to present a FREE program and discussion on "Managing Employees: Best Practices." The program will be presented Thursday Dec. 18, 2014 from 8 to 9 a.m., at the Norway Town Office, 19 Danforth Street, Norway. Hiring and retaining quality employees is a challenge for small businesses. Hiring the right people is a key task, as is successfully managing them once hired. Guiding and directing employees is one thing but motivating them to be high performance people with a customer service focus is quite another. Other important tasks when employees are involved are that of performance evaluation and feedback, and making compensation decisions. These tasks directly impact your ability to retain good people. Then there is the task of complying with em-

ployment laws and payroll requirements. Our presenter at this Roundtable is Erika Douglass, Director of HR at Maine Machine Products Co. and Hoppe Technologies. Prior to Maine Machine, Erika has held leadership positions in HR at VIP Parts, Tires & Service, Irving Forest Products and Nestle Waters. She brings a wealth of experience in HR and Safety to this Roundtable. Erika is also a member of the Board of Directors at the Oxford Hills Chamber of Commerce. Please join us for this session which will provide both educational content and discussion opportunity. Coffee will be available at 7:45 with the Roundtable starting promptly at 8 a.m. Register by calling Score at 743-0499; e-mail veasey@scorevolunteer.org or the link <http://contacc1vQHwBA>.

Real Estate Transfers

Greenwood
 Kevin W. Kennedy to Jane C. Perham of West Paris, property at 16 Kuvaja Road. \$158,000, Aug. 14, 2014.
Newry
 Neal O. Gammon to David E. Caron of Framingham, Mass., condominium at 18 Roadrunner Drive. \$121,000, June 27, 2014.
 Ronald H. Crosby, Jr. to

Barry McWade of Malden, Mass., land and building at 6 Deer Run Newry. \$326,000, Aug. 1, 2014.
 Melissa J. and Carl J. Nelson to Eric K. Kronlund of Boston, Mass., condominium at 16 Roadrunner Drive. \$65,500, Aug. 4, 2014.
 Richard B. Neal to Harris Leasing LLC of Cumberland, condominium at 9 Northway Drive. \$180,000, Aug. 15, 2014.
 Susan K. Zonghetti 2006 Family Trust to Brent C. and Amy L. Williams of Yarmouth, condominium at Fall Line. \$130,000, Aug. 15, 2014.
 Rosa Simmons-Gaffney to CNE Trust Jayne C. Simmons Trustee of Morrisville, Vt., condominium at 16 Roadrunner Drive. \$43,374, Aug. 20, 2014.
 Judith M. and Donnell E. Johnson to Keith Durgin of Newry, land at Map R-7, 29 Route 26. \$1,500, Aug. 21, 2014.
 Three M Builders, Inc. to GCT Realty Holdings LLC of Durham, N.H., property at Lot 40 Fairway Drive. \$54,000, Aug. 22, 2014.
 Athena Family Partners to Eric R. George of Cumberland, condominium at 147 Sky View Drive. \$215,000, Aug. 26, 2014.
 Alan K. Refalo and Rachel E. Matz to Susan E. and John E. King of Franklin, Mass., condominium at 8 Moostruck Drive. \$244,000, Aug. 26, 2014.
 Boyne Properties Maine, LLC to Francis Realty, LLC of Boston, property at Map R12 Lot 25B off Barker Mountain Road. \$115,000, Aug. 29, 2014.
 Margaret A. Guinan to Robert A. Currier of Bethel, land at Lot 2 Bakers Acres. \$48,000, Sept. 12, 2014.
 Vesey Realty Trust, Michele A. Vesey Trustee to Ronald H. Crosby of Portland, condominium at 276 Skiway Road. \$184,000, Sept. 15, 2014.
 Paul and Marisa Marino to Andrew C. and Katia H. Orth of Hingham, Mass., condominium at 58 Jibe Road. \$615,000, Sept. 19, 2014.

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